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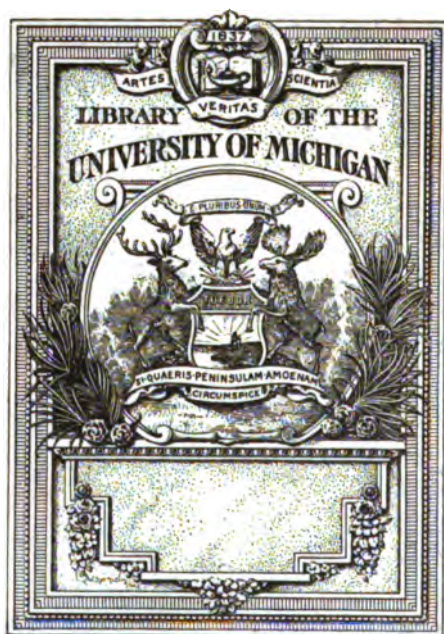
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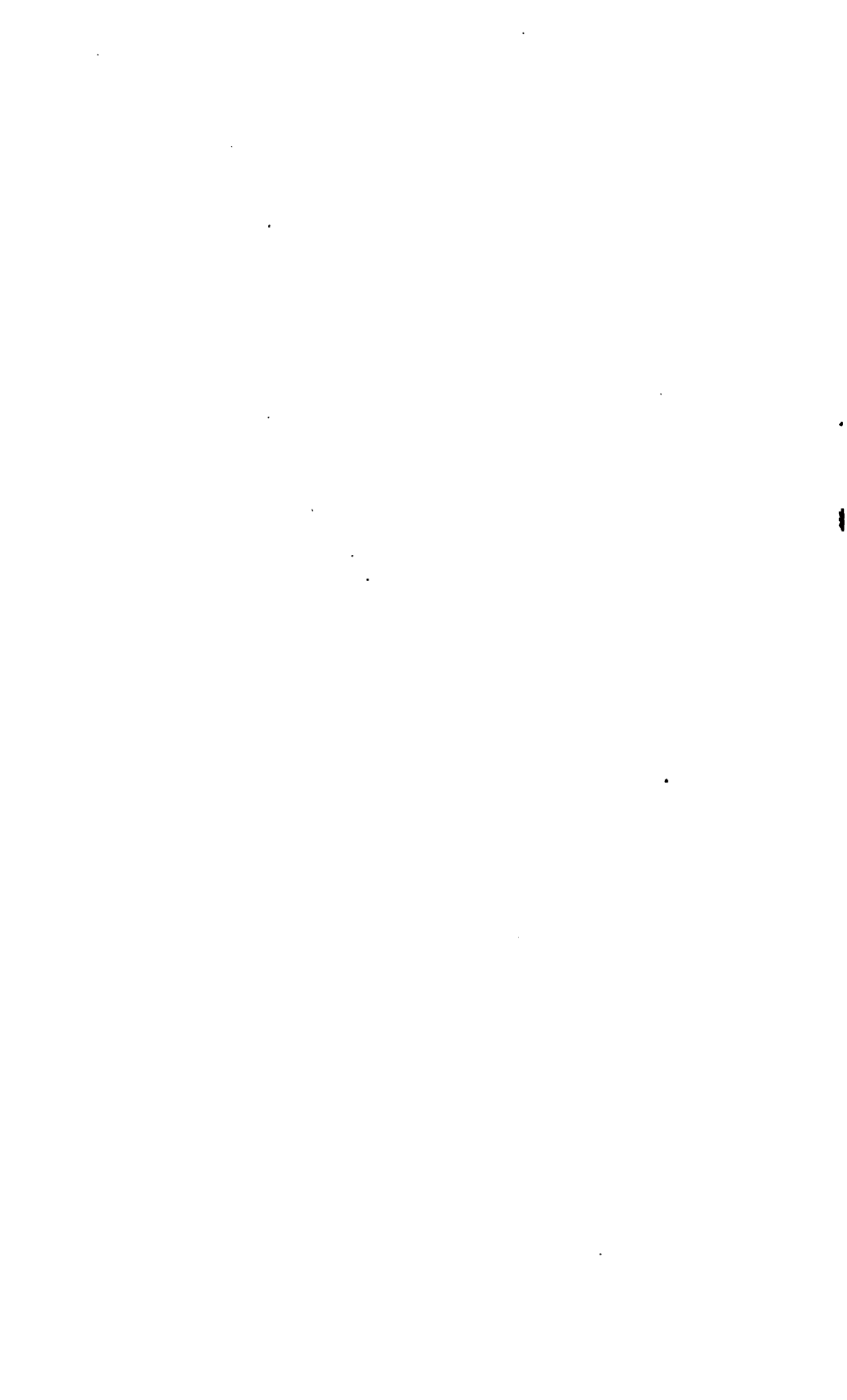
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The one hundred and twelfth General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts convened at the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday in January, being the seventh day thereof, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fifteenth. And the members-elect of the House of Representatives, having assembled in the representatives' chamber, were called to order at eleven o'clock A.M. by Mr. Handley of Acton, the senior member-elect present.

Preliminary organization.

By request of the presiding officer, prayer was offered by the Rev. S. Hopkins Emery of Taunton, a member-elect.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the House has been called to order.

Secretary informed that the House has been called to order.

Messrs. Kimball of Fitchburg, McEttrick of Boston, Johnson of Haverhill, J. O. Fallon of Boston, Curtis of Marlborough, Ladd of Boston, Buchholz of Springfield and Bucklin of Adams were appointed the committee.

Thereupon the Secretary transmitted to the House a list of all persons returned as representatives, with the original certificates of their election, which had been returned to his office, and it appeared from said returns that there was no choice of one representative for the seventh Suffolk Representative District, by reason of a tie vote; that said district was entitled to two representatives, and that a vacancy existed in said district.

On motion of Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the clerk call the roll of the House, to ascertain if a quorum be present.

Roll call.

The roll was called; and, two hundred and thirty-two members having answered to their names, the Chair declared a quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Governor notified that quorum of the House is present.

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that a quorum of the House is assembled, and that the members are ready to be qualified.

Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Boodey of Wayland, Meade of Salem, Savage of Lowell, Barrett of Concord, Leslie of Amesbury, Day of Boston and Mott of Taunton were appointed the committee.

Qualification of members.

Soon afterwards His Excellency the Governor, with the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, came in, and the oaths and affirmations required by the constitution and the laws were administered by His Excellency to the members present, and subscribed by them; after which the Governor, the Council and the Secretary withdrew.

Notice of organization of Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that that branch had been organized by the election of Henry H. Sprague of Boston as president, and Henry D. Coolidge of Concord as clerk.

Speaker elected.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed, to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker.

Messrs. Dewey of Boston, Sohier of Beverley, Moriarty of Worcester, Worcester of Townsend, Bullock of Fall River and Stearns of Salem were appointed the committee.

Mr. Dewey, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	228
Necessary for a choice,	115
William E. Barrett of Melrose had	225
Archibald M. Howe of Cambridge had	1
Josiah Quincy of Melrose had	1
Blank,	1

And, Mr. Barrett having been elected, declaration was made accordingly, and the Speaker was conducted to the chair by a committee consisting of Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Tucker of New Bedford, and spoke as follows : —

GENTLEMEN : — Called by you for the third successive time, by the general vote of your members, regardless of party, to preside over the deliberations of the House of Representatives, I desire to thank you for so marked an expression of your confidence and esteem. The duties

of the Chair are pleasant, and, if supported by the kindly feeling of the members upon the floor, they can be made not only agreeable, but of value in conducting and expediting the business of the session. We are met under somewhat peculiar conditions, and with the prospect of many important measures being brought before us, which in the present state of public sentiment will be scrutinized closely. For the benefit of the Commonwealth, mere partisan demonstrations can well be forgotten when we begin the consideration of important measures affecting the welfare of the people, many of those which will be submitted to you being likely to be radical and far-reaching in their nature.

On questions regarding votes upon the merits of legislation proposed, the Chair has no responsibility apart from that shared by other members; but, in the conduct and dispatch of public business in parliamentary form, it has an especial duty. A great weakness in the conduct of this body has been the length of sessions, from which has incidentally grown most of the complaints which have been brought against the Legislature. Various remedies have been suggested to secure more effective and speedy consideration of business. Whether the present rules shall attain the object sought, or not, experience will show; but they come to us intended for that purpose, and the only solution of the problem which has been proposed. In themselves they are but a means to an end, and with the House itself must finally remain its record for speedy and efficient administration of the affairs put in our charge. Upon that duty we enter to-day, and each day will show our zeal in its performance. With your help, the Chair will endeavor to do its share to accomplish the end sought. The public business awaits our attention. Let us give it, remembering that year by year the public scrutiny of public servants increases, and that the times are ripe for the House of 1891 to make an enviable reputation for a speedy and satisfactory disposal of its business. Gentlemen, the Chair awaits your pleasure.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to Clerk elected. receive, sort and count the votes for clerk.

Messrs. Carpenter of Brookline, Flint of Chelmsford, Bennett of Everett, Clark of Boston, Moreau of Spencer and Ellis of Boston were appointed the committee.

Mr. Carpenter, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	234
Necessary for a choice,	118
Edward A. McLaughlin of Boston had	234

Clerk elected.

And Mr. McLaughlin, having been unanimously elected, was conducted to the council chamber by a committee consisting of Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Tibbetts of Lynn, and, having been qualified by taking the oaths required, report was made accordingly to the House, and the clerk entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Senate notified
of organization
of the House.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, —

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed to inform the Senate that the House has been organized by the election of a speaker and a clerk.

Messrs. Turner of Malden, Monk of Brockton, McFethries of Springfield, Lomasney of Boston, Sprague of Boston, Sparhawk of Marblehead and Tilden of Boston were appointed the committee.

Mr. Turner, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

Governor and
Council notified
of organization
of the House.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Governor and Council that the House has been organized by the election of a speaker and a clerk.

Messrs. Kittredge of Boston, Parkhurst of Clinton, Thurston of Enfield, Carpenter of Foxborough, Stevens of Boston, Sawyer of Danvers, Golding of Boston and Carter of Wakefield were appointed the committee. Mr. Kittredge, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

Election of
sergeant-at-
arms.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that John G. B. Adams of Lynn had been elected sergeant-at-arms on the part of that branch.

Ibid.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for the sergeant-at-arms.

Messrs. Ferren of Stoneham, Salter of Lynn, White of Worcester, Oakes of Boston, Wright of Duxbury and Rosnosky of Boston were appointed the committee.

Mr. Ferren, from the committee, afterward reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	230
Necessary for a choice,	116
John G. B. Adams of Lynn had	230

Mr. Adams was declared elected on the part of the House.

Messrs. Gould of Chelsea and Mitchell of Boston were appointed a committee to inform the Senate of the election of John G. B. Adams of Lynn as sergeant-at-arms on the part of the House. Senate notified of election of sergeant-at-arms.

On motion of Mr. Penney of Lynn, —

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered. Hour of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the rules of the House of Representatives of 1890 be adopted as the rules of the present House, until otherwise ordered. Rules of the House.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That a committee on Rules, consisting of nine members, be appointed, of which the speaker shall be chairman; that this committee shall be authorized to report from time to time rules for the government of the house, and measures for expediting its business. Ibid.

The speaker announced the following-named members as the committee: the speaker, and Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Sobier of Beverly, Quincy of Quincy, Powers of Hyde Park, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Olmstead of Boston and Charles of Boston. Committee on Rules appointed.

On motion of Mr. Emery of Taunton, —

Ordered, That to-morrow, at half-past eleven o'clock A.M., be assigned for the election of chaplain. Election of Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the clerk be directed to procure for the use of the House two copies of each of the Boston daily papers, and of the daily papers published in Springfield and Worcester, and one daily paper from each other city and town in the Commonwealth where a daily paper is published. Daily papers for use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Sobier of Beverly, —

Printing of the
journal.

Ordered, That the clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the journal of the House; that one thousand copies of the same be printed; and that an attested copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the journal of the House.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint rules.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint rules of the two branches of last year be observed until others are adopted.

Joint committee
on Rules.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a joint special committee, to consist of the president and four members of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches.

The President and Messrs. Towle, Haggerty, Bennett and Thayer having been appointed by the Senate, the speaker and Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Sobier of Beverly, Quincy of Quincy, Powers of Hyde Park, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Olmstead of Boston and Charles of Boston were joined on the part of the House.

Sergeant at-
arms notified of
his election.

Ordered, In concurrence, that John G. B. Adams of Lynn be notified that he has been elected, by the two branches of the General Court, sergeant-at-arms for the current political year.

Votes for
Governor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General, be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate, and such as the House may join.

Messrs. Haggerty, Champlin and Eaton having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Ladd of Boston, Kilmer of Somerville, Meade of Salem, Lewis of Fairhaven, Lawrence of Medford, Horton of Attleborough, Finney of Plymouth and Ensign of Watertown were joined on the part of the House.

Votes for
councillors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of two members of the Senate and such as the House may join.

Messrs. Low and Carpenter having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Lane of Springfield, Presho of Boston, Luther of New Bedford, Weir of Lowell, Pomeroy of Great Barrington, Keyes of Boston, Burke of Quincy and Golding of Boston, were joined on the part of the House.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of printing a bulletin of committee hearings. Bulletin of committee hearings.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cannon of Boston, —

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept giving notice that a vacancy exists in the Seventh Suffolk Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill said vacancy. Seventh Suffolk representative district, — precept for election.

Member Qualified.

Mr. Carter of Lawrence, member-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Savage of Lowell and Wheaton of Worcester were appointed a committee, who conducted Mr. Carter to the council chamber; and, he having been qualified, report was made accordingly. Member qualified.

On motion of Mr. Moore of Waltham, at sixteen minutes past one o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 8, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Emery, of Taunton, a member of the House.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, —

Reading of journal dispensed with.

Ordered, That the reading of the journal of the House be dispensed with until otherwise ordered.

Member Qualified.

Member qualified.

Mr. Chance of Boston, a member-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, a committee consisting of Messrs. McEnaney of Boston and Day of Boston was appointed, who conducted Mr. Chance to the council chamber, and he having been qualified report was made accordingly.

Special Assignment.

Election of Chaplain.

At half-past eleven o'clock, the matter specially assigned for that hour, being the election of a chaplain for the House, was taken up, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston be elected chaplain by acclamation. The motion prevailed, and Mr. Waldron was unanimously elected, and declaration was made accordingly.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, —

Chaplain notified.

Ordered, That the clerk be directed to inform the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston that he has been elected chaplain of the House for the year 1891.

Assistant Clerk Appointed.

A communication was received from the clerk, announcing that he had appointed James W. Kimball of Lynn assistant clerk of the House of Representatives for the year 1891, under authority of section 26 of chapter 2 of the Public Statutes, which was read and placed on file.

Assistant Clerk.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the joint special committee on the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, as follows:—

Votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers.

For Governor of the Commonwealth.

WILLIAM E. RUSSELL of Cambridge has . 140,507 votes.
JOHN Q. A. BRACKETT of Arlington has . 131,454 “
JOHN BLACKMER of Springfield has . 13,554 “
All others, 11 “

And WILLIAM E. RUSSELL is elected.

For Lieutenant-Governor.

WILLIAM H. HAILE of Springfield has . 137,160 votes.
JOHN W. CORCORAN of Clinton has . 130,630 “
GEORGE KEMPTON of Sharon has . 11,770 “
All others, 10 “

And WILLIAM H. HAILE is elected.

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

WILLIAM M. OLIN of Boston has . 133,558 votes.
ELBRIDGE CUSHMAN of Lakeville has . 127,098 “
GEORGE D. CRITTENDEN of Buckland has . 12,697 “
All others, 16 “

And WILLIAM M. OLIN is elected.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

GEORGE A. MARDEN of Lowell has . 134,745 votes.
EDWIN L. MUNN of Holyoke has . 124,896 “
WILLIAM H. GLEASON of Boston has . 13,150 “
All others, 10 “

And GEORGE A. MARDEN is elected.

For Auditor of Accounts.

WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY of Marblehead has	124,902	votes.
CHARLES R. LADD of Springfield has	116,981	"
AUGUSTUS R. SMITH of Lee has	15,242	"
All others,	39	"

And WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY is elected.

For Attorney-General.

ALBERT E. PILLSBURY of Boston has	133,257	votes.
ELISHA B. MAYNARD of Springfield has	125,018	"
WOLCOTT HAMLIN of Amherst has	12,357	"
All others,	14	"

And ALBERT E. PILLSBURY is elected.

Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor noti-
fied of their
election.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. William E. Russell that he has been elected in the manner prescribed by the constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him, in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

Also to inform the Hon. William H. Haile that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, when agreeable to him.

Messrs. Donovan, Clark and Gilman, having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. McEttrick of Boston, Curtis of Marlborough, Johnson of Haverhill, Stearns of Salem, Appleton of Peabody, Dickinson of Springfield, Dyar of Boston, and Wright of Duxbury were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. McEttrick, from the committee, afterwards reported that the committee had waited upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and that they had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and their readiness to be qualified at the earliest convenience of the two branches.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Bennett, Kimball and Coveney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Dewey of Boston, Hemenway of Canton, Kimball of Fitchburg, McDonald of Pittsfield, Clarke of Falmouth, Richardson of Newburyport, Austin of Taunton and Bill of Paxton, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in joint convention, and are ready to attend to the administration of the oaths of office. Joint convention.

Mr. Bennett, from the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect would immediately attend upon the convention.

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor then came in, accompanied by various civil and military officers of the Commonwealth.

The oath and affirmations of office were then, in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, administered to and subscribed by the Hon. William E. Russell as Governor, and the Hon. William H. Haile as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Oaths of office administered to Governor and Lieutenant-Governor.

His Excellency then delivered an address to the Senators and Representatives. Governor's address.

After which the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the joint committee on the votes for councillors, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule. It appeared from said report that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit : — Votes for councillors.

- District No. 1. Isaac N. Keith of Bourne.
 2. Arthur W. Tufts of Boston.
 3. Ephraim Stearns of Waltham.
 4. Edward J. Flynn of Boston.
 5. Moses How of Haverhill.
 6. Byron Truell of Lawrence.
 7. William Abbott of Douglas.
 8. Ashley B. Wright of North Adams.

Secretary directed to notify
 councillors of
 their election.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Arthur W. Tufts, Ephraim Stearns, Edward J. Flynn, Moses How, Byron Truell, William Abbott and Ashley B. Wright, that they have been duly elected councillors, to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

A communication was subsequently received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that the several councillors-elect had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such of the councillors-elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Haggerty, Smith and West, of the Senate, and Messrs. Edson of Barnstable, Tuttle of Arlington, Thomas of Brockton, Weir of Lowell, Wilson of Boston, Bliss of Boston, Bennett of Everett and Brock of Lynn, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the councillors-elect, and inform them that the two Houses are in joint convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the constitution to qualify them for office.

Councillors
 qualified.

Soon afterwards the councillors-elect, Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Arthur W. Tufts, Ephraim Stearns, Edward J. Flynn, Moses How, Byron Truell, William Abbott and Ashley B. Wright, came in; and in the presence of the

two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, the oaths were taken and subscribed by them, and declaration was made accordingly.

The councillors then withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Paper from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the clerks of the two branches give notice to the Hon. William M. Olin of Boston that he has been elected Secretary of the Commonwealth; to the Hon. George A. Marden of Lowell that he has been elected Treasurer and Receiver-General; to the Hon. William D. Trefry of Marblehead that he has been elected Auditor of Accounts; and to the Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston that he has been elected Attorney-General, severally to hold office for one year from the third Wednesday in January instant.

Clerks of the Senate and House directed to notify Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney-General of their election.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Arthur W. Tufts, Ephraim Stearns, Edward J. Flynn, Moses How, Byron Truell, William Abbott and Ashley B. Wright have been duly elected and qualified as councillors, to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Secretary directed to notify Governor of election and qualification of councillors.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rules consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address.

Disposition of Governor's address.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M., and that hereafter that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Adjournment until Monday. Hour of meeting.

Paper from the Senate.

A Resolve authorizing the publication of a bulletin of committee hearings (reported on an order) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a

Bulletin of committee hearings.

second reading. On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Death of Hon. Charles Devens.

Death of
Charles Devens,
Justice of the
Supreme Judi-
cial Court.

Mr. Dewey of Boston announced the death of Hon. Charles Devens, Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and offered the following order, which was adopted : —

Ordered, That a committee of five, of which the Speaker shall be chairman, be appointed to attend the funeral of the late Hon. Charles Devens, Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and also to prepare suitable resolutions in memory of the deceased.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the committee: the Speaker and Messrs. Dewey of Boston, Wardwell of Haverhill, Quincy of Quincy, and Hemenway of Canton.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at nineteen minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 12, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock, P.M.

Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston, having accepted the office of Chaplain, appeared, and prayer was offered by him.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received and were severally laid on the table and ordered to be printed : —

Second annual report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners. Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.

Seventh annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners. Civil Service Commissioners.

Orders.

The following orders offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston were read and referred under House Rule 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the granting of certificates of divorce to persons of the Israelite faith by their rabbis or ministers. Granting of certificates of divorce by rabbis.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of reporting an act making the days on which the State and municipal elections are held, legal holidays. Election days legal holidays.

The following order, offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the city charter of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward to be elected annually, and for three councilmen from each ward, one elected each year to hold office for three years. City of Boston, — election of Aldermen and Councilmen.

Resolutions on the Death of Hon. Charles Devens.

Death of Hon.
Charles Devens,
Justice of the
Supreme Judi-
cial Court.

Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Hon. Charles Devens, Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and to prepare suitable resolutions in memory of the deceased, submitted the following resolutions : —

Whereas, by the death of Charles Devens, a Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, the Commonwealth has lost one of her most distinguished sons, eminent during a long career in the service of his State and of the nation, both in war and in peace.

Resolved, That this House in commemoration of his public services and of his high character, place upon record its sense of the loss which the Commonwealth has sustained in his death. As Brigadier-General in the service of the Union, as Justice of the Superior Court, as Attorney-General of the United States, as Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, as an orator and as a man, he did honor to his State.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the journal of the House, and that a copy be transmitted to his family.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Thereupon on motion of Mr. Dewey, at eight minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 13, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting the following documents, which were severally laid on the table and ordered to be printed : —

Sixth Annual Report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston ;

Second Annual Report of the State House Construction Commissioners.

Report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston.

Report of the State House Construction Commissioners.

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, resolutions in favor of the maintenance of the bi-metallic standard of value, and against the debasement of the currency through the free coinage of silver (House No. 5). Read, and at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, laid over until to-morrow.

Free coinage of silver.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, resolutions relating to the passage of a general bankruptcy law by Congress (House No. 2). Read and laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill.

General bankruptcy law.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Speaker appointed the standing committees of the House as follows : —

House Standing Committees.

Judiciary. — Messrs. Dewey of Boston, Butler of New Bedford, Tuttle of Arlington, Gould of Chelsea, Gillett of Springfield, Worcester of Townsend, Wier of Lowell, Charles of Boston and Warren of Boston.

Standing committees of the House.

Probate and Insolvency. — Messrs. Clark of Boston, Lawrence of Medford, Olmstead of Boston, Rice of Worcester, Thompson of Hopkinton, Ensign of Watertown, Barrett of Malden, Howe of Cambridge and Howard of North Brookfield.

Finance. — Messrs. Ladd of Boston, Kilmer of Somerville, Hemenway of Canton, Clarke of Falmouth, Peterson of Whitman, Bartlett of Lowell, Rideout of Cambridge, Loud of Chelsea and Crowley of Boston.

County Estimates. — Messrs. Flint of Chelmsford, Buchholz of Springfield, Lord of Athol, Flood of North Adams, Fears of Rockport, Mooney of Boston and Breen of Boston.

Elections. — Messrs. Bacheller of Lynn, Converse of Winchendon, Barrett of Concord, Howe of Shrewsbury, Cannon of Boston, O'Brien of Lawrence and Ripley of Montague.

Rules. — The Speaker and Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Sobier of Beverly, Quincy of Quincy, Powers of Hyde Park, Mellen of Worcester, Tucker of New Bedford, Wilson of Boston and Charles of Boston.

[The Speaker having previously announced that Mr. Olmstead of Boston already appointed was, at his request, excused from serving on said committee and that Mr. Wilson of Boston was appointed to fill the vacancy.]

Engrossed Bills. — Messrs. Waterman of Hanover, Carroll of Blackstone and McCarthy of Boston.

Bills in the Third Reading. — Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Sprague of Boston and Barrett of Malden.

Leave of Absence. — Messrs. Thompson of Hopkinton, Newell of Rowe and Coffey of Boston.

Pay Roll. — Messrs. Lane of Gloucester, Hinckley of Lee and Knox of Blandford.

In concurrence, the joint standing committees were appointed, as follows : —

Joint Standing Committees.

Agriculture. — Messrs. Low of Essex, Alden of Plymouth and Southwick of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bill of Paxton, Williams of Dudley, Hickox of Williamstown, Bullard of West Sutton, Brooks of West Springfield, Smith of Amherst, Kemp of Pepperell and Curtis of Georgetown, *of the House*.

Banks and Banking. — Messrs. Nutter of Plymouth, West of Suffolk and Kemp of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Converse of Winchendon, Stevens of Boston, Reed of Pittsfield, Fales of Norfolk, Longley of Dana, McFarland of Wales, Gale of Haverhill and Bright of Cambridge, *of the House*.

Cities. — Messrs. McNary of Suffolk, Breed of Essex and West of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Kittredge of Boston, Meade of Salem, Presko of Boston, Quincy of Quincy, Buckley of Holyoke, Wilson of Boston, Clough of Worcester and Rosnosky of Boston, *of the House*.

Constitutional Amendments. — Messrs. Fernald of Middlesex, Carpenter of Hampden and Bennett of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wheaton of Worcester, Presko of Boston, Day of Boston, Lomasney of Boston, Howe of Cambridge, Buchholz of Springfield, Judd of South Hadley and McLoughlin of Milford, *of the House*.

Drainage. — Messrs. Donovan of Suffolk, Clark of Franklin and Drury of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Perkins of Somerville, Moore of Waltham, Lawrence of Medford, Hutchinson of Boston, Hinds of Webster, Sparhawk of Marblehead, Lanigan of Boston and Knox of Blandford, *of the House*.

Education. — Messrs. Towle of Norfolk, Bradley of Essex and Simpkins of the Cape, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Parkhurst of Clinton, Emery of Taunton, McEttrick of Boston, Appleton of Peabody, Withington of Newburyport, Gardner of Nantucket, Howard of Newton and Howard of North Brookfield, *of the House*.

Election Laws. — Messrs. Smith of Worcester and Hampshire, and Carpenter of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Olmstead of Boston, Rice of Worcester, Sprague of Boston, Lane of Gloucester, Hall of Waltham, Rastery of Boston, and Heffernin of Boston, *of the House*.

On Expenditures. — Messrs. Southwick of Essex, Risteen of Suffolk and Clark of Franklin, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Ladd of Boston, Kilmer of Somerville, Hemenway of Canton, Clarke of Falmouth, Peterson of Whitman, Bartlett of Lowell, Rideout of Cambridge, Loud of Chelsea and Crowley of Boston, *of the House*.

Federal Relations. — Messrs. Towle of Norfolk and Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Carpenter of Brookline, Lane of Springfield, Boodey of Wayland, Moreau of Spencer, Ferren of Stoneham, Luther of New Bedford and Marston of Amesbury, *of the House*.

Fisheries and Game. — Messrs. Raymond of Middlesex and Stopford of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Babson of Gloucester, Kenrick of Orleans, Mayhew of Tisbury, Ellis of Boston, Greene of North Andover, Gammons of Rochester and Tilden of Boston, *of the House*.

Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Simpkins of the Cape and Savage of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Tibbetts of Lynn, Lewis of Fairhaven, Kirby of Westport, McNamara of Boston, Austin of Taunton, Keliher of Boston and Shaw of New Bedford, *of the House*.

Insurance. — Messrs. Provin of Hampden and Nutter of Plymouth, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Carpenter of Brookline, Chester of Newton, Leslie of Amesbury, Giles of Somerville, Lomasney of Boston, Barrett of Concord and Lakin of Westfield, *of the House*.

Labor. — Messrs. Howard of Bristol, Provin of Hampden and Rotch of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. McEttrick of Boston, Pomeroy of Great Barrington, Shaw of New Bedford, Quinn of Worcester, Waterman of Hanover, Atkins of Plainfield, McAnally of Lawrence and O'Brien of Marlborough, *of the House*.

Library. — Messrs. Coveney of Suffolk and Low of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Ensign of Watertown, Parkhurst of Clinton, Gillett of Springfield, Blanchard of Boston, Chester of Newton, Hall of Waltham and McSolla of Boston, *of the House*.

Liquor Law. — Messrs. Champlin of Suffolk and Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Day of Boston, Carter of Lawrence, Monk of Brockton, Hurley of Fall River, Gale of Haverhill, Bingham of Manchester and Hunting of East Bridgewater, *of the House*.

Manufactures. — Messrs. McDonald of Middlesex, Low of Essex and Cady of Berkshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Murray of Fitchburg, Baker of Lynn, Moriarty of Worcester, Fairbanks of Westborough, Coburn of Lowell, Child of Swansea, Knowlton of Hamilton and Golding of Boston, *of the House*.

Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Haggerty of Worcester, Gilman of Middlesex and Rotch of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Lane of Springfield, Stearns of Salem, Swallow of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Carpenter of Foxborough, Pratt of Lowell and Tilton of Natick, *of the House*.

Military Affairs. — Messrs. Kemp of Middlesex, Southwick of Essex and Wyer of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Handley of Acton, Oakes of Boston, Herrod of Brockton, Whitney of North Attleborough, Dyar of Boston, Harding of Medfield, Prouty of Scituate and Turner of Middleborough, *of the House*.

Parishes and Religious Societies. — Messrs. Savage of Bristol and Reade of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Emery of Taunton, Clarke of Falmouth, Bucklin of Adams, Lord of Athol, Howard of Newton, Wetherell of Southampton and Sullivan of Boston, *of the House*.

Printing. — Messrs. Clark of Franklin and Provin of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Withington of Newburyport, Woodsum of Braintree, Gardner of Nantucket, Bill of Paxton, Langdon of Monterey, T. F. Fallon of Boston and Chance of Boston, *of the House*.

Prisons. — Messrs. Stopford of Essex and Eaton of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Goddard of Orange, Luther of New Bedford, Thomas of Brockton, Pickering of Salem, Richardson of Winthrop, Brock of Lynn and Anderson of Cambridge, *of the House*.

Public Charitable Institutions. — Messrs. Risteen of Suffolk, Champlin of Suffolk and Drury of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Curtis of Marlborough, Thurston of Enfield, Horton of Attleborough, Blanchard of Boston, Sawyer of Danvers, Clark of Palmer, Bicknell of Weymouth and Savage of Lowell, *of the House*.

Public Health. — Messrs. Gilman of Middlesex and Reade of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Stevens of Boston, Boodey of Wayland, Rady of Cambridge, Hodges of Nahant, Hinckley of Lee, Frazer of Boston and Hariman of Northbridge, *of the House*.

Public Service. — Messrs. Thayer of Worcester and Champlin of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Salter of Lynn, Keyes of Boston, Brophy of Framingham, Hutchinson of Boston, Mitchell of Boston, Hartshorn of Norwood and Luby of Fall River, *of the House*.

Railroads. — Messrs. Bennett of Suffolk, Raymond of Middlesex, Kimball of Berkshire and Hampshire and Coveney of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Kimball of Fitchburg, Powers of Hyde Park, Bullock of Fall River, Turner of Malden, Mott of Taunton, McEnaney of Boston, Bliss of Boston, Dickinson of Springfield, McDonald of Pittsfield, Parker of Methuen and Hobson of Lowell, *of the House*.

Roads and Bridges. — Messrs. Alden of Plymouth and Cady of Berkshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Henderson of Cambridge, Bucklin of Adams, Bacheller of Lynn, Taft of Worcester, Capen of Stoughton, Clapp of Deerfield and Ramage of Holyoke, *of the House*.

State House. — Messrs. Reade of Suffolk and Bradley of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Rice of Worcester, Davis of Fall River, Shaw of Windsor, McLean of Cambridge, McKenna of Lowell, Brown of West Brookfield and Mahoney of Boston, *of the House*.

Street Railways. — Messrs. Breed of Essex, Howard of Bristol and Cooke of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Sohier of Beverly, Ferren of Stoneham, White of Worcester, Britton of Stoughton, Richardson of Newburyport, Plummer of Chelsea, Wright of Duxbury and Lynch of Boston, *of the House*.

Taxation. — Messrs. Rotch of Bristol and McNary of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bennett of Everett, Edson of Barnstable, Wheaton of Worcester, Wilder of Leominster, Corbett of Bernardston, Carter of Wakefield and Kelly of Boston, *of the House*.

Towns. — Messrs. Eaton of Norfolk and Simpkins of the Cape, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Monk of Brockton, Penney of Lynn, Weston of Hingham, Newell of Rowe, Jenkins of Wellfleet, Reid of Reading and O'Neil of Chicopee, *of the House*.

Water Supply. — Messrs. Bradley of Essex, Wyer of Middlesex and Cooke of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Johnson of Haverhill, McFethries of Springfield, Finney of Plymouth, Howe of Gardner, Danforth of Lynnfield, Smith of Mansfield, Nutting of Northampton and Burke of Quincy, *of the House*.

Woman Suffrage. — Messrs. Kimball of Berkshire and Hampshire and Gilman of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Edson of Barnstable, Thomas of Brockton, McFethries of Springfield, Appleton of Peabody, Cannon of Lawrence, Hevey of Woburn and Heffernan of Fall River, *of the House*.

In concurrence the Speaker appointed the following : —

Joint Special Committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions. — Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, Towle of Norfolk and McNary of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Tuttle of Arlington, Hemenway of Canton, Johnson of Haverhill, Appleton of Peabody, Bennett of Everett, Lord of Athol, Carter of Wakefield and J. Otis Fallon of Boston, *of the House*.

The Speaker appointed the following

Monitors of the House.

First Division. — Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Quincy of Quincy.

Second Division. — Messrs. Tibbetts of Lynn, Mellen of Worcester.

Third Division. — Messrs. Lomasney of Boston, Meade of Salem.

Fourth Division. — Messrs. Ferren of Stoneham, Wheaton of Worcester.

Fifth Division. — Messrs. Lane of Springfield, Presho of Boston.

Sixth Division. — Messrs. Clarke of Falmouth, McEttrick of Boston.

Drawing of Seats.

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Under the rule, the House proceeded at once to the drawing of seats. Messrs. Dewey of Boston, Kimball of Fitchburg and Handley of Acton were appointed a committee to supervise the same.

The following-named gentlemen were severally allowed to select their seats before the drawing commenced : —

Mr. Davis of Fall River, on motion of Mr. Bullock of Fall River.

Mr. Hinds of Webster, on motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough.

Mr. Flint of Chelmsford, on motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston.

Mr. Capen of Stoughton, on motion of Mr. Britton of Stoughton.

Petitions.

A communication was received from the secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting the following petitions deposited in his department, under the requirements of chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890. The communication was read, and the petitions were severally referred, under House Rule 21, to the committee on Rules as follows : —

Fitchburg Rail-
road Company.

Petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company for authority to consolidate with the Monadnock Railroad Company.

Newton, —
Waltham.

Petition of E. C. Fitch and others, that the boundary line between the cities of Newton and Waltham be changed.

Merrimac
Water Com-
pany.

Petition of I. B. Little and others, for an act of incorporation as the Merrimac Water Company.

Nantucket
Beach Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of Harvey H. Pratt, that the Nantucket Beach Street Railway Company be authorized to carry on the business of a common carrier.

Petition of Thomas E. Burnham that the city of Haverhill be authorized to supply its inhabitants with water.

City of Haverhill.

Petition of Reynolds T. White for authority to build, equip, maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston.

Reynolds T. White,—elevated railroad.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for legislation to enable it to purchase any railroad corporation organized under the laws of Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire or Vermont now leased to, or operated by, or controlled by the said Boston and Maine Railroad.

Boston and Maine railroad.

Petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad to be called the Boston Elevated Railway.

Frank A. Bartholomew,—Boston elevated railway.

Petition of Edward H. Keith and others, that the boundary line between the city of Brockton and the town of West Bridgewater be changed.

Brockton,—West Bridgewater.

Petition of H. M. Burr that the city of Newton may be authorized to assess and collect license fees from street railway companies for the use of its streets.

City of Newton,—street railway companies.

Petition of the Old South Society and others, that the act authorizing the West End Street Railway Company to build elevated railroads be so amended that said company shall not be permitted to proceed in building elevated railroads until a commission is appointed to examine and determine the best system of elevated railways for the city of Boston, and who shall report upon the same.

Elevated railroad Commission for the city of Boston,—West End Street Railway.

Petition of Lot Phillips and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of supplying water to the town of Hanover and portions of the town of Norwell, and for authority to contract with the towns of Rockland and Abington for said water supply.

Water supply for Hanover and Norwell.

Petition of the Newton Street Railway Company for authority to extend its road.

Newton Street Railway Company.

Petition of Frederick W. Dickinson and others for authority to build a bridge over navigable or tide waters, near the village of Osterville, in the town of Barnstable.

Bridge over tide waters in Barnstable.

Petition of Perry P. Brightman and others that the county commissioners of Bristol County may be authorized to build a bridge and highway over Westport River from Westport Point to Horseneck.

Bridge over Westport River.

Petition of James L. Anthony and others for an act of incorporation as the Old Colony Ship Canal Company, for the purpose of constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay.

Old Colony Ship Canal Company.

Brookline, —
highways.

Petition of the selectmen of Brookline for legislation giving to said board original, exclusive or concurrent jurisdiction with the county commissioners over the highways of the town.

Easthampton
water supply.

Petition of John Mayher and others for authority to supply the inhabitants of the town of Easthampton with water.

Subterranean
railways in the
counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

Petition of Henry C. Spalding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

City of Newton,
— street rail-
ways.

Petition of H. M. Burr, mayor of the city of Newton, that said city be authorized to lay and maintain in the streets of said city tracks and appliances for street railways on which cars may be propelled by horses, electricity or otherwise.

Bridge across
West Falmouth
harbor.

Petition of Franklin King and others for authority to build a bridge across an arm of West Falmouth Harbor, between Falmouth and the village of West Falmouth.

Railroad from
Amesbury
Branch of the
Boston and
Maine railroad
to New Hamp-
shire.

Petition of Richard F. Briggs and others for authority to build a railroad from some point on the Amesbury branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad to the line of the State of New Hampshire.

Canal from the
Merrimac River
to Boston
harbor.
Division of
Tisbury.

Petition of Frederick Taylor and others for authority to build a canal from the Merrimac River to Boston Harbor.

Petition of William J. Rotch and others, for a division of the town of Tisbury.

Canal from
Nantucket
Sound to Cape
Cod Bay.

Petition of Thos. H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay.

Cape Cod Ship
Canal Company.

Petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of its charter, extending the time for completing the canal authorized to be built by said company, and for increase of capital stock.

Railroad from
Weymouth to
Marshfield.

Petition of Eugene H. Clapp and others for an act of incorporation, for the purpose of constructing a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in the town of Marshfield.

Lexington
Water Com-
pany.

Petition of the Lexington Water Company for an amendment of its charter, authorizing the taking of water from Vine Brook and springs tributary thereto.

Annexation of a
part of Water-
town to Newton.

Petition of William A. Alexander and others for the annexation of a part of Watertown to the city of Newton.

Bridge across
the Connecticut
River between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

Petition of George M. Stearns and others, for an amendment of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1889, concerning a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee.

Petition of Arthur W. Moore for legislation to permit savings banks to invest in the first mortgage bonds of the Nantasket Beach Railroad Company.

Savings banks,
— first mortgage
bonds of the
Nantasket
Beach Railroad
Company.
City of Fall
River, — water
supply.

Petition of the city of Fall River for authority to purchase a strip of land around North Watuppa Pond, for the purpose of protecting the water supply of said city.

Petition of William B. Mack and others for an act of incorporation with authority to use the Mack or any other system of elevated railroads in and around Boston.

William B.
Mack, — elevated
railroad.

The communication from the Secretary also stated that the following petitions were not filed in his office in time to comply with the provisions of law governing the presentation of certain petitions to the General Court, chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890. The petitions were accordingly referred to the next General Court: —

Petition of John Weir and others for an act of incorporation as the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company with authority to construct, maintain and operate a ship canal between Barnstable Bay and Buzzard's Bay.

Cape Cod Ship
Canal Company.

Petition of George H. Wyatt and others that the easterly portion of the town of Wenham, together with that portion of Beverly known as Beverly Farms, be incorporated as a new town by the name of Beverly Farms.

Division of the
towns of
Beverly and
Wenham.

Petition of George T. Larcom and others that that part of Beverly known as Beverly Farms be set off and incorporated as a separate town.

Division of
Beverly.

Petition of Alfred D. Fox, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay.

Ship canal from
Buzzard's Bay
to Barnstable
Bay.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Bill of Paxton, petition of D. F. Estes and others, citizens of the town of Holden, for an amendment to the Constitution or for a general law concerning the division of towns.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, petition of Leonard A. Jones and others, for an act creating a Board of Commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States, especially relating to marriage, divorce, and descent and distribution of property, acknowledgments of deeds and the execution and probate of wills.

Uniformity of
legislation in
the United
States, — mar-
riage, divorce,
deeds and wills.

By the same gentleman, petition of William J. Rotch, Henry Taber and Oliver Prescott, for incorporation as the "Trustees of the James Arnold Fund."

Trustees of the
James Arnold
fund.

Tuberculosis
among cattle.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, petition of the Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture, for legislation concerning tuberculosis among cattle.

Globe Yarn
Mills of Fall
River.

By Mr. Bullock of Fall River, petition of the Globe Yarn Mills of Fall River for an increase of capital stock.

Contested
election, —
Fourth Middle-
sex Representa-
tive district.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of Herman Bird for a recount of the vote for representative to the General Court in the Fourth Middlesex District at the election held Nov. 4, 1890.

Gloucester, —
Safe Deposit
and Trust Com-
pany.

By Mr. Babson of Gloucester, petition of George R. Bradford and others for authority to establish and maintain a Safe Deposit and Trust Company in Gloucester, Mass.

Division of
Tisbury.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of Thomas West and 189 others, in aid of the petition of William J. Rotch and others for a division of the town of Tisbury.

Severally referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules.

Orders.

The following orders, offered by Mr. Wilson of Boston, were read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Use of streets
by private
corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns to prescribe, by ordinance or otherwise, terms and conditions for the use of their streets by private corporations.

City of Boston,
— laying out of
streets.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston, or a board of three commissioners, to be appointed by the mayor for the purpose, to locate and lay out within some definite time, upon a general and comprehensive plan, streets, avenues, and public squares, of such width, grade, extent and direction, with due regard to existing public streets, as may in their judgment be advisable to provide for the future growth of the city, and make a map or maps showing such location, and of further providing that no streets shall be laid out while said map is being prepared without the approval of said board; that all buildings built or located after the making and publication of said maps shall conform to the lines of the streets as shown thereon, and that the city of Boston shall not be obliged to

complete the streets so located and laid out on such map until the same shall have severally been opened and established for the use of the public in the manner now or as may hereafter be provided by law.

The following order offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that any person who has been, or shall have been, removed from practice as an attorney by the Supreme Judicial Court or Superior Court of this Commonwealth for deceit, malpractice, or other gross misconduct, and who shall continue to practice law or receive any fee for his services as attorney or counsellor-at-law rendered after such removal, or who shall hold himself out or represent or advertise himself as an attorney or counsellor-at-law, by means of a sign, business card, letter head or otherwise, shall be punished for each offence by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, and upon a second or any subsequent conviction by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding one year.

Disbarred
attorneys-at-law.

The following orders offered by Mr. Sprague of Boston were read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the charter of the city of Boston so as —

Amendments
of the charter
of the city of
Boston.

1. To consolidate under a single head, or abolish such of the existing departments as may be deemed expedient, or to create any new departments that may be deemed advisable.

2. To change the term for which the mayor is elected.

3. To prohibit successive re-elections of the mayor.

4. To confer upon the mayor full powers of appointment of officers and boards in charge of departments, and

5. To change the terms and number of such officers and boards, and the method of their removal.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation limiting and regulating the use of money at elections and in securing nominations

Use of money
in elections.

to office, and also of requiring persons elected to any office to file accounts with some State official of money expended or contributed by them or on their behalf for political purposes; and of requiring other persons concerned in the collection and expenditure of money for political purposes to file with some State official accounts of the same.

The following order offered by Mr. Hemenway of Canton, was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules:—

Granting of locations for poles to telegraph and telephone companies.

Ordered, That a committee consider the expediency of legislation relative to granting locations for poles to telegraph and telephone companies in towns of this Commonwealth.

The following order, offered by Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules:—

Pollution of streams used as water supplies.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of enacting more stringent laws relating to the discharge of the waste products of manufactures and sewerage pollutions into the streams and water supplies of the Commonwealth.

The following order offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules:—

Foreign corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation to the effect that all foreign corporations doing business in the State of Massachusetts shall publish at all times with their corporate name the name of the State under whose laws they were organized, and that all such corporations shall be prohibited from advertising as the amount of their capital stock any other sum than the portion of their authorized capital actually paid in cash or its equivalent; also the expediency of compelling more complete returns to the proper departments in this State by foreign corporations, and more stringent legislation, in general, respecting corporations organized under the laws of other States and doing business in Massachusetts.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Constitutional amendments, — poll tax.

Ordered, That the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters

for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives be taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the clerk be directed to procure for the reading-room of the members of the House the Holyoke Daily Democrat in addition to the papers already ordered.

Holyoke Daily
Democrat news-
paper ordered.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the joint committee on Rules, on an order relative to the disposition of the Governor's address, reported as follows, in part: —

So much thereof as relates to the suffrage, and to the property qualifications for Governor, to the joint committee on Constitutional Amendments, with instructions to report within two weeks.

Disposition of
Governor's
address.

So much thereof as relates to the election laws, the ballot law, and precinct officers, to the joint committee on Election Laws.

So much thereof as relates to the lobby, to the joint committee on Rules.

So much thereof as comes under the heading "Relief from special legislation," through the sentence "There seems to be a necessity for further legislation in the same direction," to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The next sentence under the same heading, beginning with the words "A general law in reference to public water supplies," to the joint committee on Water Supply.

The next sentence under the same heading, beginning with the words "The applications of corporations for further powers and privileges," to the joint committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The remaining matter under the same heading down to the words "Municipal control of municipal work," to the joint committee on Cities.

The remaining matter under the same heading, to the joint committee on Manufactures.

So much thereof as relates to control of municipal franchises and a general municipal law, to the joint committee on Cities.

So much thereof as relates to railroad passes, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report within three weeks.

So much thereof as relates to the entertainment of committees and members, to the joint committee on Rules, with instructions to report within two weeks.

So much thereof as relates to administrative boards and commissions, to a joint special committee to consist of three members of the Senate and eight members of the House.

So much thereof as relates to education, to the joint committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to taxation, to the committees of the two branches on Probate and Insolvency, sitting as a joint committee.

So much thereof as relates to labor legislation down to the paragraph beginning "Three years ago the employer's liability act was passed," to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to the employer's liability act, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the protection of railroad employees, to the joint committee on Railroads.

So much thereof as relates to liquor legislation, to the joint committee on the Liquor Law.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Committee on
Rules.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to report from time to time rules for the government of the House, reported, in part, as follows:—

In House Rule 21, after the words "as follows," insert the words "a committee on Rules to consist of the Speaker, who shall be chairman of the committee, and eight other members;" also strike out in middle of the Rule the words "a committee on Rules." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the House at twenty-nine minutes past three o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 14, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Statement of Estimates.

A statement of estimates calling for appropriations for the several departments of the public service for the year 1891, was received from the Auditor of Accounts and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Statement of estimates calling for appropriations.

Reports, etc., Received.

The following documents were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were severally referred, as follows : —

Report of the Librarian of the State Library for the year ending Sept. 30, 1890, and the 11th annual supplement to the general catalogue. To the committee on the Library.

Report of the State Librarian.

Annual report of the Adjutant General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Report of the Adjutant General.

The twelfth annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform schools.

State Primary and Reform Schools.

Annual report of the commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison.

Severally to the committee on Prisons.

Thirty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater.

State Farm at Bridgewater.

Thirty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Forty-third annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.

Sixth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital.

Westborough Insane Hospital.

Thirteenth annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital.

Danvers Lunatic Hospital.

Thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

So much thereof as relates to railroad passes, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report within three weeks.

So much thereof as relates to the entertainment of committees and members, to the joint committee on Rules, with instructions to report within two weeks.

So much thereof as relates to administrative boards and commissions, to a joint special committee to consist of three members of the Senate and eight members of the House.

So much thereof as relates to education, to the joint committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to taxation, to the committees of the two branches on Probate and Insolvency, sitting as a joint committee.

So much thereof as relates to labor legislation down to the paragraph beginning "Three years ago the employer's liability act was passed," to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to the employer's liability act, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the protection of railroad employees, to the joint committee on Railroads.

So much thereof as relates to liquor legislation, to the joint committee on the Liquor Law.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Committee on
Rules.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to report from time to time rules for the government of the House, reported, in part, as follows:—

In House Rule 21, after the words "as follows," insert the words "a committee on Rules to consist of the Speaker, who shall be chairman of the committee, and eight other members;" also strike out in middle of the Rule the words "a committee on Rules." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the House at twenty-nine minutes past three o'clock adjourned.

By Mr. Stearns of Salem, petition of the mayor of Salem, that the board of aldermen of said city be authorized to remove poles from the highways and streets of said city. City of Salem, — removal of poles from streets.

By Mr. Reid of Reading, petition of Lewis M. Bancroft and others, for an act to incorporate a savings bank in the town of Reading, by the name of the Mechanics' Savings Bank. Savings bank in the town of Reading.

Severally referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules.

Orders.

The following order offered by Mr. McFethries of Springfield, was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to provide for the dissolution of parishes after the transfer of all the property to an incorporated church. Dissolution of parishes.

The following order offered by Mr. Ladd of Boston was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance have authority to report from time to time such appropriation bills as the exigencies of the public service may require, and to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary. Appropriation bills, — committee on Finance.

The following orders offered by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, were severally read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 386 of the Acts of 1890, entitled : "An act to amend an act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense," so that when a town has accepted the provisions of said act, no change shall thereafter be made in the number or terms of officers now required by law to be chosen by ballot except at a meeting held at least thirty days before the annual town election. Australian system of voting in towns, — town officers.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 386 of the Acts of 1890, so as to have the same apply to all officers elected by towns. Ibid.

The following order, offered by Mr. Peterson of Whitman, was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Assistant district attorney for the Southeastern district.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the southeastern district.

The following orders offered by Mr. Hurley of Fall River were read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Hours of labor of women and minors in manufacturing or mechanical establishments.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of the establishment of a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, by so amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes as to provide that no minor under eighteen years of age and no woman shall be employed in laboring, in manufacturing or mechanical establishments more than fifty-eight hours a week.

Fines for imperfect weaving.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will abolish fines for imperfect weaving in cotton and woollen manufactures.

Intoxicating liquors, — number and price of licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, and chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, and all acts in addition thereto and in amendment thereof, in reference to the number and price of licenses to be granted by cities and towns voting "license" for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Salary of the justice of the Second district court of Bristol.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Justice of the Second District Court of Bristol, in Fall River.

The following order offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline was read and referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules : —

Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief corps.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of a law to prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badges of the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — returns of votes for representatives.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to obtain and furnish to the House of Representatives, the vote for representatives in the several representative districts of the Commonwealth.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to report from time to time such rules as they might deem expedient for the government of the House, reported, in part, as follows : —

In House Rule 21 strike out the words, “ Petitions and orders shall, upon their introduction, be referred without debate to the committee on Rules for report as to what disposition should be made of the same ; the committee shall report upon each matter referred to it under this rule within one week from the time it is so referred,” and insert in place thereof the following : “ All bills and resolves for introduction on leave, all resolutions, and all petitions, orders or motions contemplating legislation, intended for presentation to the House by any member, shall be deposited with the clerk, and prior to their introduction or presentation in the House shall be transmitted by the clerk to the committee on Rules ; it shall be the duty of such committee to examine such matters and ascertain whether they are in proper form and conform to the rules, and to see that the legislation or other action desired is defined as clearly and specifically as possible and that the proper committee of reference is designated. No such matter shall be changed by the committee without the assent of the member introducing the same except by amendment duly reported, and such matter shall be presented or introduced in the House not later than on the fifth legislative day succeeding the day of its deposit with the clerk, unless such member shall consent in writing to the longer retention of such matter. Every such matter shall be accompanied by a report of the committee on Rules recommending its reference, or its adoption in the case of an order directing inquiry by a committee, and recommending, except in the case of a petition, any amendment which should be made, or the substitution of a new draft, if desirable. If a petition is not in conformity to the rules the committee shall report leave to withdraw, without prejudice to the right of the petitioner to renew his petition in proper form. If a subject of legislation coming within the terms of joint rule 8 is presented in the form of an order the committee shall report recommending the rejection of such order, all such reports of the committee on Rules

which do not recommend final action as above provided shall be acted on when presented and shall not be placed in the calendar."

House rules.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to report from time to time rules for the government of the House, reported recommending the adoption of the following order:—

Ordered, That the committee on Rules be authorized to employ a clerk.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the House, at nineteen minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 15, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Dewey of Boston was designated to preside. Mr. Dewey accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were severally referred, as follows:—

Thirteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women. Reformatory Prison for Women.

Sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Reformatory. Massachusetts Reformatory.

Severally to the committee on Prisons.

Annual report of the Massachusetts District Police for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, including the inspection department and the detective department. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Massachusetts district police.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motions of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the thirty-fifth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relative to life, casualty and assessment insurance, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence. Report of the Insurance Commissioner,—life and casualty and assessment insurance.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Day of Boston,—

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to forward a statement, in print, showing the result of the returns made under section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to the vote upon granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the several cities and towns; together with a statement of the number of licenses of each class issued, and the amount received for the same by classes, and the number revoked. Returns of votes upon the liquor question.

Hour of adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week it be to meet on the following Friday at 11 o'clock, A.M., and that when the house adjourns on Friday of each week it be to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock, P.M.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Savings banks, — first mortgage bonds of the Nantasket Beach Railroad Company.

Petition of Arthur W. Moore for legislation to permit savings banks to invest in the first mortgage bonds of the Nantasket Beach Railroad Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Newton.

Petition of H. M. Burr, mayor of the city of Newton, that said city be authorized to lay and maintain, in the streets of said city, tracks and appliances for street railways on which cars may be propelled by horses, electricity or otherwise.

Newton, — Waltham.

Petition of E. C. Fitch and others, that the boundary line between the cities of Newton and Waltham be changed.

City of Newton, — street railway companies.

Petition of H. M. Burr that the city of Newton may be authorized to assess and collect license fees from street railway companies for the use of its streets.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Proprietors of the Mattakesett Creeks, — fishing in Katama Bay.

Petition of the Proprietors of the Mattakesett Creeks for leave to fish by means of seines in the head waters of Katama Bay. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Canal from Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay.

Petition of Thos. H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay.

Old Colony Ship Canal Company.

Petition of James L. Anthony and others for an act of incorporation as the Old Colony Ship Canal Company, for the purpose of constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay.

Bridge across West Falmouth harbor.

Petition of Franklin King and others for authority to build a bridge across an arm of West Falmouth Harbor.

Bridge across Westport River.

Petition of Perry P. Brightman and others that the county commissioners of Bristol County may be authorized to build a bridge and highway over Westport River from Westport Point to Horseneck.

Petition of Frederick W. Dickipson and others for authority to build a bridge over navigable or tide waters, near the village of Osterville, in the town of Barnstable.

Bridge over tide waters in Barnstable.

Petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of its charter, extending the time for completing the canal authorized to be built by said company, and for increase of capital stock.

Cape Cod Ship Canal Company.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition of John M. Berry for a State loan of three million dollars to cities and towns to enable them to build homes for the people similar to State loans to railroad corporations to build their railroads. To the committee on Labor.

John M. Berry. — State loan to cities and towns to build homes for the people.

Petition of the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association for an extension of its charter.

Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association.

Petition of the mayor of Salem that the board of aldermen of said city be authorized to remove poles from the highways and streets of said city.

City of Salem, — removal of poles from streets.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for legislation to enable it to purchase any railroad corporation organized under the laws of Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire or Vermont now leased to, or operated by, or controlled by said Boston and Maine Railroad.

Boston and Maine Railroad.

Petition of Eugene H. Clapp and others for an act of incorporation, for the purpose of constructing a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in the town of Marshfield.

Railroad from Weymouth to Marshfield.

Petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company for authority to consolidate with the Monadnock Railroad Company.

Fitchburg Railroad Company.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Petition of George M. Stearns and others for an amendment of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1889, concerning a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee.

Petition of Reynolds T. White for authority to build, equip, maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston.

Reynolds T. White, — elevated railroad.

Frank A. Bartholomew,—
Boston elevated
railway.

Petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad to be called the Boston Elevated Railway.

Nantucket
Beach Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of Harvey H. Pratt, that the Nantucket Beach Street Railway Company be authorized to carry on the business of a common carrier.

Newton Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of the Newton Street Railway Company for authority to extend its road.

William B. Mack,—elevated
railroad.

Petition of William B. Mack and others for an act of incorporation with authority to use the Mack or any other system of elevated railroads in and around Boston.

Severally to the committee on Street Railroads.

Annexation of
a part of Water-
town to
Newton.
Brockton,—
West Bridge-
water.

Petition of William A. Alexander and others for the annexation of a part of Watertown to the city of Newton.

Petition of Edward H. Keith and others, that the boundary line between the city of Brockton and the town of West Bridgewater be changed.

Incorporation
of villages.

Petition of F. H. Harris and others, of Springfield, for a general law authorizing the incorporation of villages.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

City of
Haverhill.

Petition of Thomas E. Burnham that the city of Haverhill be authorized to supply its inhabitants with water.

Water supply
for Hanover
and Norwell.

Petition of Lot Phillips and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of supplying water to the town of Hanover and portions of the town of Norwell, and for authority to contract with the towns of Rockland and Abington for said water supply.

City of Fall
River,—water
supply.

Petition of the city of Fall River for authority to purchase a strip of land around North Watuppa Pond, for the purpose of protecting the water supply of said city.

Merrimac
Water Com-
pany.

Petition of I. B. Little and others, for an act of incorporation as the Merrimac Water Company.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Uniformity of
legislation in the
United States,—
marriage,
divorce, deeds,
wills.

Petition of Leonard A. Jones and others for an act creating a Board of Commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States, especially relating to marriage, divorce, and descent and distribution of property, acknowledgments of deeds and the execution and probate of wills. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns to prescribe, by ordinance or otherwise, terms and conditions for the use of their streets by private corporations. Use of streets by private corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston, or a board of three commissioners, to be appointed by the mayor for the purpose, to locate and lay out within some definite time, upon a general and comprehensive plan, streets, avenues and public squares, of such width, grade, extent and direction, with due regard to existing public streets, as may in their judgment be advisable to provide for the future growth of the city, and make a map or maps showing such location, and of further providing that no streets shall be laid out while said map is being prepared without the approval of said board; that all buildings built or located after the making and publication of said maps shall conform to the lines of the streets as shown thereon, and that the city of Boston shall not be obliged to complete the streets so located and laid out on such map until the same shall have severally been opened and established for the use of the public in the manner now or as may hereafter be provided by law. City of Boston, — streets.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the charter of the city of Boston so as — City of Boston.

1. To consolidate under a single head, or abolish such of the existing departments as may be deemed expedient, or to create any new departments that may be deemed advisable.

2. To change the term for which the mayor is elected.

3. To prohibit successive re-elections of the mayor.

4. To confer upon the mayor full powers of appointment of officers and boards in charge of departments, and

5. To change the terms and number of such officers and boards, and the method of their removal.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will abolish fines for imperfect weaving in cotton and woollen manufactures. Fines for imperfect weaving.

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Boston elevated
railway.

Petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad to be called the Boston Elevated Railway.

Nantucket
Beach Street
Railway Com-
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Severally to the committee on Street Railroads.

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Newton.

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West Bridge-
water.

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supply.

Petition of the city of Fall River for authority to purchase a strip of land around North Watuppa Pond, for the purpose of protecting the water supply of said city.

Merrimac
Water Com-
pany.

Petition of I. B. Little and others, for an act of incorporation as the Merrimac Water Company.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Uniformity of
legislation in the
United States,—
marriage,
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wills.

Petition of Leonard A. Jones and others for an act creating a Board of Commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States, especially relating to marriage, divorce, and descent and distribution of property, acknowledgments of deeds and the execution and probate of wills. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

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by private
corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston, or a board of three commissioners, to be appointed by the mayor for the purpose, to locate and lay out within some definite time, upon a general and comprehensive plan, streets, avenues and public squares, of such width, grade, extent and direction, with due regard to existing public streets, as may in their judgment be advisable to provide for the future growth of the city, and make a map or maps showing such location, and of further providing that no streets shall be laid out while said map is being prepared without the approval of said board; that all buildings built or located after the making and publication of said maps shall conform to the lines of the streets as shown thereon, and that the city of Boston shall not be obliged to complete the streets so located and laid out on such map until the same shall have severally been opened and established for the use of the public in the manner now or as may hereafter be provided by law.

City of Boston,
—streets.

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City of Boston.

1. To consolidate under a single head, or abolish such of the existing departments as may be deemed expedient, or to create any new departments that may be deemed advisable.

2. To change the term for which the mayor is elected.

3. To prohibit successive re-elections of the mayor.

4. To confer upon the mayor full powers of appointment of officers and boards in charge of departments, and

5. To change the terms and number of such officers and boards, and the method of their removal.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will abolish fines for imperfect weaving in cotton and woollen manufactures.

Fines for
imperfect
weaving.

Sons of
Veterans and
Woman's
Relief Corps.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of a law to prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badges of the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps.

Salary of the
Justice of the
Second district
court of Bristol.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Justice of the Second District Court of Bristol, in Fall River.

Australian sys-
tem of voting in
towns, — town
officers.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 386 of the Acts of 1890, entitled: "An act to amend an act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense," so that when a town has accepted the provisions of said act, no change shall thereafter be made in the number or terms of officers now required by law to be chosen by ballot except at a meeting held at least thirty days before the annual town election.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following orders were severally adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Assistant dis-
trict attorney
for the South-
eastern district.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the southeastern district.

Disbarred
attorneys-at-
law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that any person who has been, or shall have been, removed from practice as an attorney by the Supreme Judicial Court or Superior Court of this Commonwealth for deceit, malpractice, or other gross misconduct, and who shall continue to practice law or receive any fee for his services as attorney or counsellor-at-law rendered after such removal, or who shall hold himself out or represent or advertise himself as an attorney or counsellor-at-law, by means of a sign, business card, letter head or otherwise, shall be punished for each offence by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, and upon a second or any subsequent conviction by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding one year.

Dissolution of
parishes.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to provide for the dissolution of parishes after the transfer of all the property to an incorporated church.

Appropriation
bills.

Ordered, That the committee on Finance have authority to report from time to time such appropriation bills as the

exigencies of the public service may require, and to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary.

The following order was adopted, with an amendment, as recommended by the committee on Rules, adding at the end thereof the words "with instructions to report thereon in four weeks":—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation limiting the use of money at elections and in securing nominations to office, and also of requiring persons elected to any office to file accounts with some State official of money expended or contributed by them or on their behalf for political purposes; and of requiring other persons concerned in the collection and expenditure of money for political purposes to file with some State official accounts of the same.

Use of money
in elections.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules, with an amendment inserting after the words "Acts of 1890" the words "relative to allowing towns to determine what officers shall be chosen by ballot":—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 386 of the Acts of 1890, so as to have the same apply to all officers elected by towns.

Election of
town officers.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules, with an amendment adding at the end thereof the words "with instructions to report within three weeks":—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of reporting an act making the days on which the State and municipal elections are held legal holidays.

State and mu-
nicipal election
days.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order was adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules, with an amendment inserting after the words "Public Statutes" the words "relative to the employment of minors and women in manufacturing establishments":—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of the establishment of a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing or mechan-

Hours of labor
of women and
minors in manu-
facturing or
mechanical es-
tablishments.

cal establishments, by so amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes as to provide that no minor under eighteen years of age and no woman shall be employed in laboring, in manufacturing or mechanical establishments more than fifty-eight hours a week.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order was adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules, with an amendment striking out the words "a committee," and inserting in place thereof the words "the committee on Mercantile Affairs:"—

Locations for
telegraph and
telephone com-
panies.

Ordered, That a committee consider the expediency of legislation relative to granting locations for poles to telegraph and telephone companies in towns of this Commonwealth.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order was adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules, with an amendment striking out the words "Parishes and Religious Societies," and inserting in place thereof the words "the Judiciary":—

Granting of cer-
tificates of
divorce by
rabbis.

Ordered, That the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the granting of certificates of divorce to persons of the Israelite faith by their rabbis or ministers.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the report of the committee on Rules recommending an amendment to House Rule No. 21 was discharged from the orders of the day, and considered under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to amend by striking out all after the word, "referred" in the sixth line; after debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Preshe of Boston. The amendment was rejected, and the report was accepted; and the amendment to the rule was adopted, as follows:—

Amendment to
House Rule
No. 21.

In House Rule 21 strike out the words, "Petitions and orders shall, upon their introduction, be referred without debate to the committee on Rules for report as to what disposition should be made of the same; the committee shall report upon each matter referred to it under this rule within one week from the time it is so referred," and insert in place thereof the following: "All bills

and resolves for introduction on leave, all resolutions, and all petitions, orders or motions contemplating legislation, intended for presentation to the House by any member, shall be deposited with the clerk, and prior to their introduction or presentation in the House shall be transmitted by the clerk to the committee on Rules; it shall be the duty of such committee to examine such matters and ascertain whether they are in proper form, and conform to the rules, and to see that the legislation or other action desired is defined as clearly and specifically as possible, and that the proper committee of reference is designated. No such matter shall be changed by the committee without the assent of the member introducing the same except by amendment duly reported, and such matter shall be presented or introduced in the House not later than on the fifth legislative day succeeding the day of its deposit with the clerk, unless such member shall consent in writing to the longer retention of such matter. Every such matter shall be accompanied by a report of the committee on Rules recommending its reference, or its adoption in the case of an order directing inquiry by a committee, and recommending, except in the case of a petition, any amendment which should be made, or the substitution of a new draft, if desirable. If a petition is not in conformity to the rules, the committee shall report leave to withdraw, without prejudice to the right of the petitioner to renew his petition in proper form. If a subject of legislation coming within the terms of Joint Rule 8 is presented in the form of an order the committee shall report recommending the rejection of such order. All such reports of the committee on Rules which do not recommend final action as above provided shall be acted on when presented and shall not be placed in the calendar."

Subsequently Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the report was accepted, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly the report of the committee on Rules, recommending the adoption of an order relative to authorizing the committee on Rules to employ a clerk, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and the order was adopted, as recommended by the committee.

Committee on
Rules author-
ized to employ
a clerk.

City of Lynn,—
drainage commission.

Petition presented by Mr. Baker of Lynn, of the mayor of the city of Lynn, for a drainage commission for the city of Lynn. To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
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Id.

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Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

City of
Quincy,—
drainage.

Petition presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of the mayor of the city of Quincy, for an act to authorize the city of Quincy to adopt a system of sewerage and to provide for the payment thereof. To the committee on Drainage.

Canal from the
Merrimac River
to Boston
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Bridge across
Cohasset Nar-
rows.

Petition of P. H. Phinney and others, that the county commissioners of the counties of Plymouth and Barnstable may be directed to build a bridge across Cohasset Narrows.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

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Petition presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of Richard Spellman and others for legislation relative to the hours of labor of tour workers in paper mills. To the committee on Labor.

Globe Yarn
Mills of Fall
River.

Petition of the Globe Yarn Mills of Fall River for an increase of capital stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

George P.
Guerrier.

Petition presented by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, of William Lloyd Garrison and others for the relief of Lieut. George P. Guerrier, formerly of the 22d Massachusetts Volunteers, later of the 35th United States Colored Infantry. To the committee on Military Affairs.

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Petition of the Old South Society and others, that the act authorizing the West End Street Railway Company to build elevated railroads be so amended that said company shall not be permitted to proceed in building elevated railroads until a commission appointed to examine and determine the best system of elevated railroads for the city of Boston shall report upon the expediency of their plans. Elevated railroad commission for the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

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Petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, of the city of Cambridge for an act to annex to said city certain territory in the town of Belmont. Cambridge,—Belmont.

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Hinckley of Lee, of John Winthrop and others; and by Mr. Williams of Dudley, of John Tattmore and others, — severally for a general law authorizing the incorporation of villages.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Easthampton
water supply.

Petition of John Mayher and others for authority to supply the inhabitants of the town of Easthampton with water.

Lexington
Water Com-
pany.

Petition of the Lexington Water Company for an amendment of its charter, authorizing the taking of water from Vine Brook and springs tributary thereto.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

North Andover.

Petition, presented by Mr. Greene of North Andover, of Newton P. Frye and others that the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of North Andover be ratified and confirmed. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Contested
election, —
Fourth Middle-
sex Representa-
tive District.

Petition of Herman Bird for a recount of the vote for representative to the General Court in the Fourth Middlesex District at the election held Nov. 4, 1890. To the committee on Elections.

Massachusetts
Homœopathic
Hospital.

The petition, presented by Mr. Dewey of Boston, of the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital for an amendment of its charter to enable it to hold additional real and personal estate, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Dewey, the vote whereby the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same gentleman the petition was recommitted to the committee on Rules.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Wilson of Boston, —

Insurance, —
foreign insur-
ance companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of further legislation to permit the re-insurance of risks taken on property in this Commonwealth with companies not authorized to transact business therein.

Offered by Mr. Gould of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1887, so that objection may be made by any person owning or controlling real estate within one hundred feet of the premises for which a license is requested.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
objection to
licenses.

Offered by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of regulating the management and liability of mercantile agencies.

Mercantile
agencies.

Offered by Mr. Smith of Amherst, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of transferring to the Massachusetts Agricultural College such State military property as the college is now accountable for.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
college.

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the judge of the police court of Brookline.

Salary of the
judge of the
police court of
Brookline.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Plummer of Chelsea, was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that all drafts, bills and notes falling due on Sundays or legal holidays shall be paid on the following day.

Drafts, bills
and notes fall-
ing due on
Sunday.

The committee on Rules reported recommending the adoption of the following order, with an amendment striking out the words "committee on Taxation," and inserting in place thereof the words "committee on Cities": —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the laws as to provide the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies, to the various cities and towns in which or through which they run; the same to be assessed by the usual method of assessing property tax upon the property of said companies situated in said cities and towns, including their various rails and sleepers with attachments as laid and used, or upon the trips actually made, or upon the cars actually owned and operated.

Taxation of
horse and elec-
tric railroad
companies.

At the request of Mr. Greene of North Andover the matter was laid over until Monday.

The committee on Rules, to whom was referred the following order: —

Foreign corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation to the effect that all foreign corporations doing business in the State of Massachusetts shall publish at all times with their corporate name the name of the state under whose laws they were organized, and that all such corporations shall be prohibited from advertising as the amount of their capital stock any other sum than the portion of their authorized capital actually paid in cash or its equivalent; also that the committee to whom this order is referred consider the expediency of compelling more complete returns to the proper departments in this State by foreign corporations and more stringent legislation, in general, respecting corporations organized under the laws of other states and doing business in Massachusetts.

Reported that the same ought to be adopted with the following amendment: strike out the last sentence beginning with the words "also, that." Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend the amendment by striking out only the words "and more stringent legislation in general respecting corporations organized under the laws of other states and doing business in Massachusetts." After debate the amendment was adopted and the report, as amended, was accepted. The order as amended was then adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from Monday last, was referred, under House Rule No. 21, to the committee on Rules: —

City of Boston,
—election of
aldermen and
councilmen.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the city charter of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward to be elected annually, and for three councilmen from each ward, one elected each year, to hold office for three years.

Papers from the Senate.

Constitutional
amendment, —
quorum of the
Senate and
House of Repre-
sentatives.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each

branch of the General Court, be taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that in cities which elect aldermen upon a general ticket the ward of which the candidate is a resident shall be designated upon the ballot.

Election of aldermen in cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of taking such action as may be necessary to transfer from the Commonwealth to the United States, jurisdiction over two tracts of land, to be purchased by the United States for national defence, in the town of Winthrop.

Purchase by the United States of certain tracts of land in the town of Winthrop.

Ordered, In concurrence that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will abolish fines for imperfect weaving in cotton and woollen manufactories.

Fines for imperfect weaving.

Ordered, In concurrence that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 74, of the Public Statutes, so as to provide that no minor under eighteen years of age and no woman shall be employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments more than fifty-eight hours per week.

Employment of minors and women in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Ordered, In concurrence that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of making eight hours a legal day's work for all State, county, city or town employees.

Hours of labor of State, county, city or town employees.

Ordered, In concurrence that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow the delivery of liquor by an innholder or common victualler from a counter or other structures adapted to the purpose.

Public bars.

Ordered, in concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the third report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, to be distributed under the direction of said Commissioner.

Public records of parishes, towns and counties.

The following papers were referred in concurrence:—
Petition (taken from the files of last year) of C. A. Ballou and others for legislation for the relief and encouragement of poultry societies in this commonwealth. To the committee on Agriculture.

Poultry societies.

City of Boston,
—watering
streets.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, for the passage of an act empowering said city to water its streets and to levy and collect assessments to meet the whole or a part of the expense incurred thereby.

City of Boston,
—improvements
in Church Street
District.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to make certain improvements in the Church Street district.

City of Boston,
—new streets.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, that the Board of Street Commissioners be authorized to locate and lay out streets in said city where, in the opinion of the Board, they ought to be located and laid out; and also that buildings shall not be erected in said city save in streets duly laid out by the public authorities.

City of Boston,
—salary for
members of
common
council.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, for the passage of an act authorizing the payment of a suitable salary to the members of the common council of said city.

City of Boston,
—use of streets
by private cor-
porations.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, for the passage of an act enabling cities and towns to prescribe terms and conditions for the use of streets by private corporations.

City of Boston,
—completion of
new public
library building.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to borrow \$850,000 outside its debt limit, for completing the new public library building.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
—bridge to
East Boston.

Petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to build a bridge from the city proper to East Boston. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Northampton
Lunatic
Hospital.

Petition of the Trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital for an appropriation for repairs and improvements at said institution.

City of Worces-
ter, — Memorial
Hospital.

Petition of the Trustees of the Memorial Hospital of Worcester for a change of name.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Soldiers and
sailors, — ex-
emption from
taxation.

Petition of Charles L. Scott and others that all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who served in the late rebellion shall be exempt from certain taxes. To the committee on Taxation.

Message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and Council during the year 1890. To the committee on Prisons. List of pardons.

The annual report of the State House Commission on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms. To the committee on State House. State House Commission, report of.

A Bill (taken from the files of last year) providing for the inspection of electric lights and meters came down with the indorsement referred to the committee on Manufactures. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly the bill was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the reference. Inspection of electric lights and meters.

Resolutions.

The Resolutions relating to the passage of a general bankruptcy law by Congress, laid over from Tuesday last, were adopted, as follows: — General bankruptcy law.

Whereas, The laws of the several states and territories relating to settlements by debtors with their creditors are conflicting in their provisions and often unjust to both debtor and creditor; and

Whereas, The want of a uniform law on the subject of bankruptcies tends to the curtailment of business through lack of confidence by business men, and becomes a cause of financial stress, entailing injury and loss; and

Whereas, Under the constitution of the United States the right to pass a general bankruptcy law is reserved to Congress, be it

Resolved, That the senators and representatives from this Commonwealth in the Congress of the United States are hereby requested to use their influence to obtain the passage at the present session of the Bankruptcy Bill now before Congress, entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of Bankruptcy throughout the United States."

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to each of the senators and representatives from this Commonwealth in the Congress of the United States.

Free coinage of
silver.

The Resolutions in favor of the maintenance of the bi-metallic standard of value and against the debasement of the currency through the free coinage of silver, laid over from Tuesday last, was considered. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend, by the substitution of a "Resolution in favor of honest money." Mr. Quincy of

Point of order.

Quincy raised the point of order that the resolution moved as a substitute by Mr. Wardwell was not in order, for the reason that it related to general legislation and was beyond the scope of the resolution presented by him which was special in its character. The Chair declared the point not well taken.

Mr. Chance moved that the matter be postponed for further consideration until Monday. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion to postpone was lost by a vote of 78 yeas to 118 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen

Barrett, Harry H.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fallon, Thomas F.
Finney, Elkanah
Gardner, Arthur H.
Golding, John
Handley, Aaron C.
Harriman, Charles H.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hemenway, Augustus

Messrs. Herrod, Edward E.

Hevey, Thomas D.
Hinckley, Charles E.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howard, Timothy
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kemp, Parker J.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Luby, Patrick B.
Maloney, Cornelius E.
Marston, Dudley J.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McKenna, George B.
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
McSolla, Richard F.
Mellen, James H.
Mitchell, Michael J.
Mooney, William L.
Nutting, Arthur F.
O'Brien, John
O'Brien, John J.

Messrs. O'Neil, Eugene J.
Parker, James O.
Peterson, Benjamin F.
Quincy, Josiah
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rady, Andrew J.
Raftery, Patrick H.
Reid, James
Richardson, Arthur C.
Ripley, Samuel E.
Rosnosky, Isaac
Savage, Patrick J.

Messrs. Shaw, Ebenezer
Smith, Elvin L.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Stearns, William H.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Thurston, Lysander
Tilden, Charles A.
Turner, Charles W.
Warren, Bentley W.
Wetherell, Barney T.
Worcester, Charles F.
Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
Atkins, Edwin A.
Austin, J. Lewis
Babson, Fitz J.
Baker, Charles H.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bill, Ledyard
Bingham, Henry T.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Britton, Henry W.
Brooks, Ethian
Bucklin, Andrew J.
Bullard, Henry B.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Butler, William M.
Carpenter, Erastus P.
Carpenter, George N.
Chester, Dwight
Child, Daniel R.
Clapp, James W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clarke, George E.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Corbett, Myron L.
Curtis, Francis C.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Davis, Squire S.
Day, Frederick B.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dickinson, Henry S.
Dyar, Perlie A.
Edson, Nathan

Messrs. Fairbanks, John W.
Fales, Nathan H.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fletcher, Charles T.
Gammons, Benjamin
Giles, Joseph J.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Goddard, Edward A.
Gould, David E.
Greene, Edward W.
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Hartshorn, James A.
Hickox, Stephen A.
Hinds, John F.
Hodges, William D.
Horton, Everett S.
Howard, S. Edward
Howe, Archibald M.
Howe, Edward C.
Howe, S. Augustus
Hunting, Amos
Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Jenkins, Robert B.
Johnson, Henry H.
Judd, Myron H.
Kenrick, John Jr.
Kimball, John W.
Kirby, Albert C.
Knowlton, George K.
Knox, James W.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lakin, James A.
Lane, Hiram B.
Laue, Howard G.

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Messrs. Lawrence, William B.	Messrs. Read, Franklin F.
Lewis, James A.	Rice, William H.
Longley, Henry C.	Richardson, Albert W.
Lord, Lucien	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Loud, John C.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Luther, Haile R.	Shaw, Charles F.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Stevens, William S.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Swallow, George N.
Meade, William E.	Taft, Henry G.
Monk, Hiram A.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Moore, Charles	Thompson, Edwin D.
Mott, Edward	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Oakes, William H.	Tucker, George F.
Olmstead, James M.	Turner, Henry E.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Waterman, Eben C.
Penney, Alonzo	Weston, Thomas
Perkins, George W.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Pickering, Benjamin P.	White, Franklin B.
Plummer, John M.	Whitney, Edwin
Pomeroy, John P.	Wier, Fred N.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Pratt, Amasa	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Presho, Edward W.	Wilson, William Power
Prouty, John E. O.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 78 ; Nays, 118.

On the question of the substitution of the resolution moved by Mr. Wardwell, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Wardwell, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, and the roll being called, the resolution was substituted by a vote of 125 yeas to 78 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Brooks, Ethan
Atkins, Edwin A.	Bucklin, Andrew J.
Austin, J. Lewis	Bullard, Henry B.
Babson, Fitz J.	Bullock, Walter J. D.
Baker, Charles H.	Butler, William M.
Barrett, Harry H.	Carpenter, Erastus P.
Barrett, Richard F.	Carpenter, George N.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Chester, Dwight
Bennett, Frank P.	Child, Daniel R.
Bill, Ledyard	Clapp, James W.
Bingham, Henry T.	Clark, Louis M.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Clarke, George E.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Clough, George S.
Britton, Henry W.	Coburn, Clarence G.

Messrs. Corbett, Myron L.	Messrs. Marston, Dudley J.
Curtis, Francis C.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Davis, Squire S.	McFarland, Herbert A.
Day, Frederick B.	Meade, William E.
Dewey, Henry S.	Monk, Hiram A.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Moore, Charles
Dyar, Perlle A.	Mott, Edward
Edson, Nathan	Murray, Michael J.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Oakes, William H.
Fairbanks, John W.	Olmstead, James M.
Fales, Nathan H.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Ferren, Myron J.	Penney, Alonzo
Fletcher, Charles T.	Perkins, George W.
Gammons, Benjamin	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Plummer, John M.
Giles, Joseph J.	Pomeroy, John P.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Goddard, Edward A.	Pratt, Amasa
Gould, David E.	Presho, Edward W.
Greene, Edward W.	Prouty, John E. O.
Harding, N. Frank	Read, Franklin F.
Hartshorn, James A.	Rice, William H.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Richardson, Albert W.
Hinckley, Charles E.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hinds, John F.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hodges, William D.	Shaw, Charles F.
Horton, Everett S.	Smith, Charles S.
Howard, S. Edward	Sohier, William D.
Howe, Edward C.	Sprague, Charles F.
Howe, S. Augustus	Stevens, William S.
Hunting, Amos	Swallow, George N.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Taft, Henry G.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Johnson, Henry H.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Kimball, John W.	Turner, Henry E.
Kirby, Albert C.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Knowlton, George K.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Waterman, Eben C.
Lakin, James A.	Weston, Thomas
Lane, Hiram B.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Lane, Howard G.	White, Franklin B.
Langdon, Henry W.	Whitney, Edwin
Lawrence, William B.	Wier, Fred N.
Lewis, James A.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Longley, Henry C.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Lord, Lucien	Wilson, William Power
Loud, John C.	Woodsum, B. Herbert.
Luther, Haile R.	

NAYS.

Messrs.	Anderson, Stephen	Messrs.	McAnally, Frank
	Bicknell, Zechariah L.		McCarthy, Daniel
	Boodey, Charles H.		McDonald, Peter J.
	Breen, Daniel F.		McEnaney, Thomas O.
	Brock, Lemuel M.		McEttrick, Michael J.
	Brophy, James L.		McKenna, George B.
	Brown, George H.		McLean, Isaac
	Buckley, William P.		McLoughlin, John T.
	Burke, James F.		McNamara, Jeremiah J.
	Cannon, William		McSolla, Richard F.
	Capen, Robert P.		Mellen, James H.
	Carroll, Michael		Mitchell, Michael J.
	Carter, James H.		Mooney, William L.
	Carter, Richard A.		Nutting, Arthur F.
	Chance, Charles J.		O'Brien, John
	Charles, Salem D.		O'Brien, John J.
	Crowley, Jeremiah J.		O'Neil, Eugene J.
	Curtis, Samuel N.		Parker, James O.
	Ensign, Charles S.		Peterson, Benjamin F.
	Fallon, Thomas F.		Quincy, Josiah
	Finney, Elkanah		Quinn, Patrick J.
	Golding, John		Rady, Andrew J.
	Hall, Henry C.		Rafferty, Patrick H.
	Handley, Aaron C.		Reid, James
	Harriman, Charles H.		Ripley, Samuel E.
	Heffernan, Edward J.		Rosnosky, Isaac
	Heffernin, Patrick J.		Savage, Patrick J.
	Hemenway, Augustus		Shaw, Ebenezer
	Herrod, Edward E.		Smith, Elvin L.
	Hevey, Thomas D.		Sparhawk, Henry C.
	Hobson, Charles H.		Stearns, William H.
	Howe, Archibald M.		Sullivan, Michael F.
	Hurley, John T.		Thurston, Lysander
	Judd, Myron H.		Tilden, Charles A.
	Keliher, Thomas J.		Turner, Charles W.
	Kelly, Charles A.		Warren, Bentley W.
	Lanigan, Andrew M.		Wetherell, Barney T.
	Luby, Patrick B.		Worcester, Charles F.
	Mahoney, Cornelius E.		Wright, William J.

Yeas, 125 ; Nays, 78.

The resolution as amended was then adopted, as follows :—

Whereas, The people of Massachusetts believe in honest money and look to their senators and representatives in Congress to defend a sound currency ; and

Whereas, They believe in a conservative regulation of the currency and condemn its inflation either by the issue of inconvertible paper money or by the free coinage of the depreciated dollar ; and

Whereas, A bill has just passed the Senate of the United States providing for the free coinage of silver and its unlimited purchase by the United States government at a fixed price ; and

Whereas, This measure will debase our currency and imperil the commercial credit of the United States and endanger the prosperity of all its citizens, and particularly the welfare of the wage earners.

Resolved, That we hereby express our thanks to our Senators for their opposition to such a measure, and that we request them and our Representatives in Congress to use every effort to defeat not only the proposed unlimited purchase of silver by the National Treasury at extortionate rates, but also any measure including free coinage, or tending in any way to debase our currency.

Resolved, That we request our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their influence to secure the adoption by the chief commercial nations of the world of a fixed ratio between gold and silver.

Resolved, That these resolutions be communicated to Congress and a copy thereof be transmitted to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, at fourteen minutes past one o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 19, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

Auditor of
Accounts.

The abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts of the Commonwealth for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, was received and was laid on the table.

Perkins Insti-
tution and Mas-
sachusetts
School for the
Blind.

The fifty-ninth annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Fees in the of-
fice of the Secre-
tary of the
Commonwealth.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to inform the House what fees, if any, are charged in his office, and the amount of fees so received each year, for the past three years; also, whether such fees have been paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Secretary of the
Commonwealth,
— number of
registered male
voters and num-
ber of ballots
cast at the last
State election.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to furnish to the House the total number of registered male voters, and the total number of ballots cast in each voting precinct of the Commonwealth on the 4th day of November, 1890.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, —

Committee on
Public Char-
itable Institu-
tions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be authorized to visit the public charitable institutions of this Commonwealth, and also the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Hartford, Conn., in the discharge of their duties.

On motion of Mr. Luther of New Bedford, —

Ordered, that the committee on Prisons be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Prisons.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Appleton of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of requiring by law that proof of the soundness of a stallion advertised for service should be a certificate from a veterinary surgeon, agreeably to a resolution passed at the last winter meeting held by the State Board of Agriculture. Stallions.

Offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the city charter of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward, to be elected annually, and for three councilmen from each ward, one elected each year, to hold office for three years. City of Boston, — election of aldermen and councilmen.

Offered by Mr. Carter of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places licensed in cities and towns for the sale of intoxicating liquor, and acts in addition thereto and amendatory thereof, so that the number of places licensed shall be increased to one to every five hundred of the inhabitants. Intoxicating liquors, — number of places licensed.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order was adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules, amended by adding at the end thereof the following words: “so that cities and towns shall have the right to fix the number of licenses which may be granted therein”: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 340 of the acts of the year 1888, and chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, and all acts in addition thereto and in amendment thereof, in reference to the number and price of licenses to be granted, by cities and towns voting “license,” for the sale of intoxicating liquors. Intoxicating liquors, — number and price of licenses.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, was adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Fees of clerks of courts,—naturalization of aliens.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section six, chapter 345, of the Acts of 1885, for the purpose of reducing the fees hitherto paid to clerks of courts for the naturalization of aliens.

The following order laid over from Friday was considered. The amendment recommended by the committee on Rules to strike out the words "committee on Taxation" and insert in place thereof the words "committee on Cities," was adopted by a vote of 99 to 49 and the order as amended was adopted, and sent up for concurrence :—

Taxation of horse and electric railroad companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the laws as to provide the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies, to the various cities and towns in which or through which they run; the same to be assessed by the usual method of assessing property tax upon the property of said companies situated in said cities and towns, including their various rails and sleepers with attachments as laid and used, or upon the trips actually made, or upon the cars actually owned and operated.

Massachusetts School Fund.

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The report of the commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund and the Tax Commissioner appointed under chapter 56 of the Resolves of the year 1890 to prepare a plan for a more equitable distribution of the income of the Massachusetts school fund with reference to the needs of the smaller and poorer towns, was referred to the committee on Education, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Biennial elections

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General

Court, be taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

The annual report of the Cattle Commissioners was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture. Report of the Cattle Commissioners.

The report of the Commissioners on an Asylum for the Chronic Insane in Eastern Massachusetts was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Asylum for the chronic insane.

A petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to borrow \$300,000 outside its debt limit for the construction of a new bridge across the channel between L street and Congress street, came down referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly the House non-concurred in the suspension of the 9th joint rule, and in the reference, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Boston, city of, — bridge from L Street to Congress Street.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year. Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith.

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Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House accepted the report of the committee on Rules, recommending an amendment to House Rule, No. 21, was considered. Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved that the matter be postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, which motion was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Meade of Salem.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at three o'clock, the House adjourned by a vote of 143 to 9.

TUESDAY, January 20, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and were severally referred, as follows :—

Report of the commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Twelfth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Petition, presented by Mr. Meade of Salem, of the mayor of the city of Salem, that the board of aldermen of said city be authorized to license conductors, drivers and dispatchers of street railway cars of said city. Licensing of conductors, drivers and dispatchers of street railway cars.

Petition, presented by Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, of the city of Cambridge, for a revised city charter for said city. City of Cambridge, — revision of charter.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition, presented by Mr. Flood of North Adams, of O. A. Archer and others, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants for the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendments, — division of towns.

- Harry Chapin.** Petition, presented by Mr. Brophy of Framingham, of W. G. Lewis and others, that Harry Chapin may be compensated for injuries received while in the employ of the State at the State camp ground in May, 1890. To the committee on Expenditures.
- Eight-hour law.** Petition, presented by Mr. Chance of Boston, of E. M. Chamberlain and others, for eight hours' labor to constitute a day's work. To the committee on Labor.
- Intoxicating liquors,—number of licenses.** Petition, presented by Mr. O'Brien of Lawrence, of the mayor of Lawrence, for a repeal of chapter 340 of the Acts of 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law.
- Manufacture and supply of gas and electricity by cities and towns.** Petitions, presented by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, of the common council of the city of Boston, for a law authorizing towns and cities to make and supply to their own citizens gas and electric lights for heating, power, etc. To the committee on Manufactures.
- Young Men's Christian Association Training School.** Petition, presented by Mr. McFethries of Springfield, of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School for a change of name. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.
- Charles A. Dearborn.** Petition, presented by Mr. Meade of Salem, of Charles A. Dearborn, for State aid.
- George Hayden.** Petition, presented by Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, of George Hayden, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.
- John Alley, 5th.** Petition, presented by Mr. Baker of Lynn, of John Alley, 5th, for compensation for services performed during the War of the Rebellion as an officer of an unattached company of infantry.
Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.
- Unitarian Society of Bernardston.** Petition, presented by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, of P. L. Cushman and others, for a change of name of the Unitarian Society of Bernardston. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.
- Frank B. Sanborn,—reimbursement for services rendered the State.** Petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, of F. B. Sanborn, for compensation and reimbursement for services rendered the State, as inspector of public charities. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Hartshorn of Norwood, of S. Augustus Winslow and others, and of Cora E. Everett and 50 others, — severally, for legislation to compel the New York and New England Railroad Company to build a station at "Norwood Central," in the town of Norwood.

New York and
New England
Railroad Com-
pany.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of William Whiting and 650 others, of J. K. McCarthy and others, and of Henry S. Herrick and 47 others, — severally, for a change of location of the Willimanset Bridge, between the cities of Holyoke and Chicopee.

Bridge between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petition, presented by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of the town of Orange, for authority to borrow a sum of money in excess of the amount allowed by law for the purpose of constructing a system of sewers.

Town of
Orange, —
sewers.

Petition, presented by Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, of Enoch Beane & Co. and others, for a general law authorizing the incorporation of villages.

Incorporation of
villages.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wright of Duxbury, of the selectmen of the town of Duxbury, that said town be authorized to fund its debt and issue bonds or scrip therefor.

Town of Dux-
bury.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petition, presented by Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, of David D. Nye and others, against unlawful possession of alewives on Herring River. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Unlawful pos-
session of ale-
wives on
Herring River.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Flood of North Adams, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of enacting laws for the better protection of school children in the case of fire, by requiring the adoption of an electric fire-alarm system in all school buildings two or more stories in height, and by the introduction of a fire-drill to be practised by the teachers and pupils of all schools, upon stated occasions, and to provide for the appointment of proper officers for instruction and enforcement of the law.

School-houses,
— electric fire
alarm and fire
drill.

Birds and
game, — wild
fowl.

Offered by Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing so much of section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, concerning the better preservation of birds and game, as relates to pursuing any wild fowl with or by aid of a sail boat or steam launch.

Eight-hour law.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of an act making eight hours constitute a day's work; also of providing that said act shall be submitted to the people at the next annual State election, and shall not take effect unless agreed to by a majority of the voters voting thereon at said election.

State Board of
Health, —
veterinary de-
partment.

Offered by Mr. Appleton of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of authorizing the State Board of Health to establish a veterinary department, or employ veterinary assistance as it may require it, with a recommendation for the appropriation necessary to establish or employ the same.

Pollution of
great ponds
or streams.

Offered by Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of passing a law which will prevent persons engaged in manufacturing or other business from discharging sewage, chemicals or waste products injurious to the public health into the great ponds or streams of this Commonwealth.

Salaries of
the county
commissioners
of Norfolk
County.

Offered by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk.

Clerk of police
court of
Chicopee.

Offered by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing a clerk of courts for the police court of the city of Chicopee.

Salary of the
clerk of the
police court
of Brookline.

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the Police Court of Brookline.

Offered by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending section 39 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to assessors requiring persons bringing in list of property to make oath to the same, so that its provisions may be uniformly and justly enforced in all parts of the Commonwealth.

Returns of
property to
assessors.

Offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of such legislation as will define more strictly the powers and duties of selectmen and road commissioners, in relation to the highways of towns, and thus prevent the conflict of authority which sometimes arises between those two boards.

Selectmen of
towns and
road commis-
sioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide for ascertaining the number, location, value and other facts pertaining to the abandoned farms and farm lands in the State; also the most effective method of securing their re-occupancy.

Abandoned
farms.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that whenever proposed amendments to the Constitution are submitted to the people the full text thereof shall be printed on the ballot, or that the voters shall, in some manner, be furnished with more definite information concerning the proposed change.

Submission to
the people of
Constitutional
amendments,—
ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and report on the same.

Securities in
hands of the
Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requiring railroad companies doing business in this State to furnish free passes over their roads to His Excellency the Governor, the members of the Council, the Secretary of State, the Attorney-General, the Treasurer and Receiver-General, the Auditor of Accounts, and the members of the General Court good for the period for which they are elected and qualified to serve.

Free railroad
passes for State
officials and
members of the
General Court.

Hours of labor
of minors and
women.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will limit the hours of labor of all minors and women employed in manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishments to fifty-four hours weekly.

Women voting
on liquor ques-
tions submitted
to the people.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of extending the right of suffrage so that all women who are now entitled to vote on school matters shall also have the right to vote on all matters of liquor legislation that may be submitted to the people.

Forest Hills
Cemetery Cor-
poration.

A petition (taken from the files of last year) of the proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery, for leave to amend the laws relating to said corporation, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Report of Committee.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judiciary department of the government during the present year ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Buchholz of Springfield, at twenty minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 21, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The first annual report of the number of assessed polls and the number of registered voters at the dates of the state, city and town elections in the year 1890, and the total number of persons who voted at such elections in each city, town and voting precinct in the Commonwealth, in accordance with the provisions of section 118 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 43) and was laid on the table.

Number of registered voters and number of ballots cast at the last State and city elections.

The annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (Pub. Doc. No. 5) was received and was laid on the table.

Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Communications from the Secretary.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting a list of the fees charged in his office and the amount of fees so received each year, for the past three years, and the disposition of the same, in accordance with an order adopted by the House Jan. 19, 1891. The communication was read and with the accompanying documents was placed on file.

Fees in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, in compliance with an order adopted by the House, stating that he had transmitted to the House in compliance with the law a list of registered voters, and the number of ballots cast at the last State and municipal elections. The communication was read and placed on file.

Number of registered voters and the number of ballots cast at the last State and municipal elections.

Taken from the Files.

Fees of clerks
of the Supreme
Judicial and
Superior courts.

On motions of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the Bill (on leave) relating to the fees of clerks of the supreme judicial and superior courts, was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

Treasurer
authorized to
borrow money
in anticipation
of revenue.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, a Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue. Read and referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Imitation
butter.

By Mr. Bill of Paxton, a Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter. Read and referred to the committee on Agriculture, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

City of Boston,
—John T. Kilty.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lynch of Boston, of the mayor of the city of Boston, for an act enabling the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John T. Kilty. To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendments, —
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, of H. R. Mitchell and others; and by Mr. Worcester of Townsend, petition of William M. Park and others, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants for the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Town of Gay
Head, — school
house.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of Thomas Jeffers, Sr., and others for an appropriation of one hundred dollars for repairing the Gay Head school house in the town of Gay Head. To the committee on Education.

Use of seines
and gill nets in
Wellfleet bay.

Petition, presented by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, of Freeman A. Snow and others for legislation to further prohibit the use of seines and gill-nets in Wellfleet Bay.

Remonstrance, presented by the same gentleman, of Noah S. Higgins, against any further legislation to prevent the use of seines and gill-nets in the waters of the town of Wellfleet.

Use of seines and gill nets in Wellfleet bay.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition, presented by Mr. Oakes of Boston, of Lieut. Robert Ball Edes of Newton, for compensation for injuries sustained while in performance of military duty at the State camp ground at Framingham.

Robert Ball Edes.

Petition, presented by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of E. A. Goddard, that Mary Briggs be made eligible to receive State aid.

Mary Briggs.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Dewey of Boston, of the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital for an amendment of its charter to enable it to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, of John Q. A. Brackett, William Gaston, Benjamin F. Butler and others; and of John D. Long, Hutchins & Wheeler and others,—severally, that the salary of the Assistant Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Suffolk be increased to \$2,800. Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for Suffolk County.

Petition, presented by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, of Joseph W. Robbins and others, for a general law concerning the incorporation of villages.

Incorporation of villages.

Petition, presented by Mr. Appleton of Peabody, of C. W. Osborn and others of Peabody, that said town be authorized to appropriate money for the purpose of extending a certain street in said town.

Town of Peabody.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition presented by Mr. Turner of Malden, of Alfred D. Fox and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay, came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly the 9th joint rule was

Alfred D. Fox, — ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay.

suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Plymouth
county court
house at Brock-
ton.

Petition, presented by Mr. Monk of Brockton, of the county commissioners of Plymouth County for authority to borrow a sum of money in addition to the amount now allowed by law for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house at Brockton. To the committee on County Estimates.

Resolutions.

Federal Elec-
tions Bill.

Resolutions in favor of the Federal Elections Bill, presented by Mr. Bill of Paxton, were read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Representation
of Massachu-
setts at the dedi-
cation of the
Bennington,
Vt., monument.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of Massachusetts being properly represented at the dedication of the monument erected by the general government and the states of Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts at Bennington, Vermont, during the present year.

Offered by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, —

Woodcock,
partridge and
quail.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending chapter 249 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the open season on woodcock, partridge and quail, so that the open season shall fall upon the first of October instead of the fifteenth of September.

Offered by Mr. Capen of Stoughton, —

Manufacture
and sale of gas
and electricity
by cities and
towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of providing that any town may establish and operate the necessary plant for furnishing gas or electric light to itself and its inhabitants; also that any town shall have the right at any time to take by purchase or eminent domain the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of any gas or electric light company furnishing light in such town, upon such terms and conditions as are just and equitable.

Offered by Mr. Howard of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of a law to prevent railroad or sleeping-car companies doing business in this State from letting down upper berths in their sleeping cars when not in use. Berths in sleeping cars.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 11 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to expenses of police, district and municipal courts, that all expenses included in said section shall be paid at least once a month. Expenses of police, district and municipal courts.

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 60 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to the liability of officers of corporations, so that no officer shall be held liable for the criminal act of any other officer unless he assented to the act of such other officer with knowledge that the act in itself or in its consequences was unlawful; and further that no officer shall be held liable for an unlawful condition of the affairs of such corporation created without his consent or knowledge. Liability of officers of corporations.

The following order, offered by Mr. Giles of Somerville, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Dewey of Boston: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of passing a law which shall provide that no body shall be embalmed, nor shall any fluid, so-called embalming, be used on or about the body, until the physician's certificate of the cause of death shall be obtained, and that certificate be approved by the Board of Health. Use of embalming fluid without physician's certificate of cause of death.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent and punish deception or fraud in the sale of oleomargarine, butterine or other like compounds made in imitation of dairy butter. Oleomargarine.

Apportionment
of sidewalk and
sewer assess-
ments.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending section 25 of chapter 50 of the Public Statutes, relating to sewer and sidewalk assessments, that the assessments therein named may be apportioned into more than three and not exceeding ten equal parts.

Watering pub-
lic streets.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 365 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled "An act to authorize cities to expend money for watering their public streets," so that authority may be given to the cities therein named to collect the assessments named in said statute, either by action at law, or by lien upon the estates of owners and occupants, or otherwise.

Abolition of
grade crossings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled "An act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: "*provided, however*, that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad, the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained."

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

Watering
streets in cities.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Newton, that authority be granted cities to collect assessments for watering public streets, either by action at law or by a lien upon the estates of the owners and occupants abutting upon such streets.

City of Newton,
— sewer assess-
ments.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Newton for authority to apportion sewer assessments into more than three and not exceeding ten equal parts.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petition of E. G. Adams and others, for an amendment to the Constitution providing that the division of towns shall require the consent of their inhabitants. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Gas and electric
lighting for
cities and
towns.

Petition of the Common Council of the city of Boston, for the passage of a law whereby cities and towns may be authorized to make and supply their citizens with gas and electric lights for heating, power, etc. To the committee on Manufactures.

Petition of John G. B. Adams, president of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, for an appropriation of \$25,000 to assist in defraying the expenses of supporting and maintaining the same. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Petition of the county commissioners of the county of Worcester for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of county commissioners of Worcester county.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Newton, that section 4 of chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the abolition of grade crossings, be amended by striking out the provision that the consent of the directors of a railroad company shall first be obtained, in cases where a change of grade is proposed. To the committee on Railroads.

Abolition of grade crossings.

The House petition of Frederick Taylor and others for authority to build a canal from the Merrimac River to Boston Harbor, referred by the House to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Roads and Bridges. On motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Canal from Merrimac River to Boston Harbor.

The petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to borrow \$300,000 outside its debt limit for the construction of a new bridge across the channel between L street and Congress street, came down referred to the committee on Cities, in which reference the House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston, bridge from L Street to Congress Street.

A message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting certain recommendations and suggestions of the heads of the several departments of the State, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules, with instructions to report recommending the reference of the various portions thereof to the appropriate committees.

Recommendations of heads of departments of the State.

The Senate Bill providing for the inspection of electric lights and meters, referred in non-concurrence by the House to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, came down

Inspection of electric lights and meters.

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City of Newton,
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ments.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Newton for authority to apportion sewer assessments into more than three and not exceeding ten equal parts.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
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Gas and electric
lighting for
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Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

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Canal from
Merrimac River
to Boston Har-
bor.

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City of Boston,
bridge from L
Street to Con-
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A message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting certain recommendations and suggestions of the heads of the several departments of the State, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules, with instructions to report recommending the reference of the various portions thereof to the appropriate committees.

Recommendations
of heads
of departments
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Inspection of
electric lights
and meters.

with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its reference to the committee on Manufactures. On motion of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Manufactures, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes.

Id.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith.

Id.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Prison and Hospital Loan Sinking Fund.

Id.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Auditor of Ac-
counts.

On motions of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Special report of the Auditor of Accounts of the expenditures of 1890 in the several departments in excess of the appropriations therefor; and the

Id.

Abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890;

Were severally taken from the table and referred to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

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The Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judiciary department of the government during the present year.

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, at twenty-six minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 22, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

**Tax Commis-
sioner.**

The annual report of the Tax Commissioner (Pub. Doc. No. 16) was received and was laid on the table.

Petition.

**Charles River
Embankment
Company.**

A petition, presented by Mr. Charles of Boston, of the Charles River Embankment Company for an extension of time to complete their works, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, was adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

**City of Boston,
— bay windows
and projections
on buildings.**

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending section 27 of chapter 374 of the Acts of 1885, relating to bay windows and projections on buildings in Boston, that after the words "due notice and hearing" shall be added the words "and such notice of any and all hearings thereon shall be given by proper legal service thereof upon all owners and tenants or other occupiers of all buildings facing upon such public way or square as are situated within three hundred feet of any building whereon it is proposed to place such bay window or other structure," or some other words to the same effect, for the purpose of securing to owners and occupiers of buildings facing on the streets of Boston actual notice of all applications for permission to build bay windows and other structures over the street lines in their vicinity.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of passing a law which shall provide that no body shall be embalmed, nor shall any fluid (so called embalming) be used on or about the body, until the physician's certificate of the cause of death shall be obtained, and that certificate be approved by the Board of Health.

Use of embalming fluid without physician's certificate of cause of death.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that tellers hereafter appointed in towns may be sworn by the moderators of the meetings at which they are appointed.

Administering of oaths to tellers in town meetings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to filing certificates of nominations and nomination papers for the nomination of candidates for city offices, by providing more definitely the time (by stating the hour and day) for the filing of such certificates and nomination papers.

Filing of nomination papers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes relative to the employment of women and minors in manufacturing or mechanical establishments so as to provide that such persons shall not be employed in laboring more than fifty-six hours a week.

Hours of labor of minors and women.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of repealing that provision of section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1887 (relating to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of the granting of liquor licenses), which provides that no license to sell intoxicating liquor shall be granted when the owner of any real estate within twenty-five feet of the premises described in the application for a license, interposes an objection thereto.

Intoxicating liquors,—objections of owners of real estate to the granting of licenses.

State Board of
Agriculture, —
clerical force in
office of
secretary.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the clerical force and establishing the salaries of the clerks in the office of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

Travelling ex-
penses of com-
mittees of the
General Court.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of a new rule as follows: All committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives travelling under orders of, or by the permission of, either or both branches of the Legislature, shall have all bills for travelling expenses made in detail, and the Auditor of the State shall, on the first of each month during the session, if there be any such bills, report them in print as rendered and paid.

Committee on
Towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Towns be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Committee on
Water Supply.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Water Supply be granted leave to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as it may deem necessary in the discharge of its duties.

William V.
Thompson.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) to confirm the acts of William V. Thompson as a justice of the peace, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

State Library.

A Bill (introduced on leave) to provide clerical assistance for the State Library, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Library.

State Board of
Health, —
water supply
and sewerage.

A report of the State Board of Health upon water supply and sewerage. So much thereof as relates to water supply was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, and so much as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Drainage.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House order had been rejected by that branch: —

Management
and liability of
mercantile
agencies.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of regulating the management and liability of mercantile agencies.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence: —

Boston, Revere
Beach and Lynn
Railroad, —

Petition of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad that any stockholder dissenting from the terms of its

consolidation with the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Co. may receive the value of his shares as ascertained by a judicial proceeding; also for legislation confirmatory of the locations of said roads. To the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

consolidation
with Boston,
Winthrop and
Shore Railroad
Company.

Petition of the President and Corresponding Secretary of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union, that women qualified to vote for members of the school committee may be given the right to vote in all town and municipal elections, and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman suf-
frage.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes;

Orders of the
day.

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith;

Making an appropriation for the Prison and Hospital Loan Sinking Fund; and

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, at twelve minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 23, 1891.

Met according to adjournment at 11 o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and were severally referred, as follows : —

Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

Fifteenth annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

State Board of
Education.

Fifty-fourth annual report of the Board of Education, together with the fifty-fourth annual report of the secretary of the board. To the committee on Education.

Fifth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy. To the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Abstract of Returns of Liquor Licenses.

Abstract of re-
turns of liquor
license.

The abstract of returns, received from the several cities and towns by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, November, 1890, under the requirements of section 5, chapter 100, Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc., was received, referred to the committee on the Liquor Law and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Topographical Survey Commission.

Topographical
Survey Com-
mission.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting the annual report of the Topographical Survey Commission, which was laid on the table. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the message, with the accompanying report, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Expenditures and sent up for concurrence.

House Rules.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Voted, That the clerk cause to be printed in pamphlet form five hundred copies of the House Rules for the use of the members.

House Rules
printed for use
of the members.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Petition, presented by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of the mayor of the city of Boston, relating to the assignment of councilmen in wards 22 and 25 of said city. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
— councilmen.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, of Sylvanna Smith and others for an act of incorporation for the Gloucester Board of Trade. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Gloucester
Board of Trade.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bliss of Boston, of Julia K. Dyer and others in behalf of the Woman's Charity Club Hospital, for an appropriation of \$50,000. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Woman's
Charity Club
Hospital.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petition, presented by Mr. Meade of Salem, of Charles E. Symonds, relating to the appointment of commissioners to adjudge cases of insanity. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Commissioners
to adjudge cases
of lunacy.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Baker of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of the establishment of a drainage commission for the city of Lynn, with power to construct sewers and drains, make regulations concerning drainage, and such powers as are incident to the providing and maintaining of sewers and drains and a sewerage system.

City of Lynn, —
drainage com-
mission.

Offered by Mr. Meade of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 365 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to watering streets, by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "And all assessments

Abuttor's as-
sessment for
watering
streets.

so made shall constitute a lien upon the abutting lands and be collected in the same manner as taxes on real estate."

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

School-ship at
Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation for establishing a nautical school at the port of Boston and of making application to the Secretary of the Navy for the use of a suitable vessel with appliances for the use of such school, as provided by the statutes of the United States.

Offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett: —

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of such legislation as will prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Foreign corpo-
rations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of forbidding foreign corporations to do any kind of business in this State for which corporations are not now permitted to be organized under Massachusetts laws.

Offered by Mr. Turner of Malden, —

Salary of
second clerk of
Savings Banks
Commissioners.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of establishing the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, —

Complaints in
criminal cases.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that a complaint may be made to any court or magistrate by any person who is competent to make oath to such complaint.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws as to allow any person to make complaint in criminal cases before any competent court or clerk thereof, or magistrate.

Offered by Mr. Warren of Boston, —

Clerical assist-
ance for the

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of one

or more clerks to assist the Supreme Judicial court in the preparation of its decisions and in other business of the full court, as the court shall direct, such clerks and their salaries to be additional to the clerical force and appropriations now existing.

Supreme
Judicial court.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for the election of twelve aldermen-at-large on a general ticket ;. or so as to provide for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six at large on a general ticket.

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen-at-
large.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 60 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, being an act to amend and codify the statutes relating to insurance ; and section 1 of chapter 151 of the Acts of the year 1888, being an act in relation to actions on fire insurance policies, so as to provide, in cases of arbitration when the arbitrators chosen by the insured and the company respectively fail to agree upon the third arbitrator, for the appointment of a person to act in said capacity.

Insurance
arbitrators.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Lemira C. Pennell that she may be indemnified for injuries to which she has been subjected by State officials, and compensated for work she has done in exposing wrongs done those who cannot speak in their own behalf. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Lemira C.
Pennell.

Petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation that it be authorized to increase its capital stock by an amount not exceeding ten thousand shares, for the purpose of paying for additions to and improvements upon its railroad. To the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Boston and
Lowell Railroad
Company, —
increase of
capital stock.

Petition of Horatio Hunt of Sudbury, Mass., for the enactment of a law exempting the goods and estates of blind persons from taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of
property of
blind persons.

Motion to Discharge a Committee.

Taxation of
horse and elec-
tric railroad
companies.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that the committee on Cities be discharged from the further consideration of the order, adopted by the House January 19, relative to the taxation of horse and electric railroad companies, and that the subject matter thereof be referred to the committee on Taxation. After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 48 to 80.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House accepted the report of the committee on Rules, recommending an amendment to House Rule, No. 21, was taken from the table, and was lost by a vote of 30 to 88.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ;

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making an appropriation for the Prison and Hospital Loan Sinking Fund ; and

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, at thirty-nine minutes past eleven o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 26, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The fourth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Public Health and sent up for concurrence.

Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill to provide for the annual election of a board of railroad commissioners. Read and referred to the committee on Railroads, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Railroad commissioners.

By Mr. Bullock of Fall River, a Bill regulating costs in certain cases.

Costs in certain cases.

By the same gentleman, a Bill regulating the exemption of wages attached under the trustee process.

Exemption of wages under the trustee process.

Severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relating to the discharge of debts by wage earners. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Discharge of debts by wage earners.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Petition, presented by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of William M. Rogers and others relative to consent of inhabitants to division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendments,—division of towns.

Furniture
Manufacturers'
Mutual Liability
Association.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, of Sylvanus C. Small and others for an act to incorporate the Furniture Manufacturers' Mutual Liability Association. To the committee on Insurance.

Twenty-five
Associates.

Petition, presented by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, of Charles P. Searle and Charles H. Cole for an act of incorporation for the Twenty-five Associates. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

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O'Herrin.

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Petition, presented by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, of Elizabeth C. Locke and Tryphena R. Ayer for a release by the Commonwealth to them of a fractional interest in lands in Winchester. To the committee on the Judiciary.

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The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

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Agriculture.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as may be

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Weekly pay-
ment of wages.

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Support of
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families.

Offered by Mr. Emery of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of providing for the support, either wholly or in part, of dependent families through the enforced labor of husbands and fathers, who, either as idlers or criminals, leave them to suffer.

Support of
paupers.

Offered by Mr. Hinds of Webster, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, relating to the support of paupers, by inserting after the word "grandmother" in the second line the words "married or single;" also, the expediency of amending section 18 of the same chapter by inserting after the word "time" in the fifth line the words "between May first and November first, or for a longer period than eight weeks at one time for cases notified between November first and May first;" also, the expediency of amending section 29 of the same chapter by striking out the words "two months," where they occur in the second line and in the third line, and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "one month."

Neglected
children,—
Hampden
County
Children's Aid
Association.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 19 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, relating to the care and education of neglected children, by inserting after the word "children" in the seventh line the words "and of the Hampden County Children's Aid Association."

Admission to
the State Alms-
house.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 21 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes, relating to admissions to the State Almshouse, so that the superintendent shall be directed to receive all paupers sent with a proper certificate from one of the overseers of the poor of any city or town, or from one of the commissioners of Public Institutions in the city of Boston, or from some one duly authorized by vote of the board of overseers of the poor of any city or town, or of the Board of Commissioners of Public Institutions in Boston.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 26 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes, relative to expenses for the support of the sick State poor (as amended by chapter 211 of the Acts of 1885), by striking out the word “after” in the second line and inserting in place thereof the words “within seven days next before;” also, by inserting after the word “required” in the third line the words “and also after the giving of such notice, and until said sick person is able to be removed to the almshouse;” and by adding at the end of the section the following: “*Provided, however,* that when any person liable to be supported by the Commonwealth shall have received assistance in a hospital maintained for the care of the sick, the entire expense incurred by any city or town for said hospital aid, not to exceed seven dollars per week, shall be reimbursed to said city or town by the Commonwealth, in the manner herein provided.” Support of paupers.

Offered by the same gentlemen, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 32 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes, relating to expenses for the support of paupers in State lunatic hospitals, by inserting after the word “ascertained” in the seventh line the words “but in no such case shall the place of settlement be liable for expenses incurred for more than three months, unless notice of settlement is given to such place within one year after admission of the lunatic to the hospital; nor, if such notice is given, for more than the expenses incurred after, and also for one year previous to, the giving of such notice.” Id.

Offered by Mr. Swallow of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of giving to the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court, on the petition of a city or town, or of the board of health thereof, jurisdiction in equity to prevent the exercise of any trade or employment which is a nuisance, or hurtful to the inhabitants, or dangerous to the public health, or the exercise of which is attended by noisome or injurious odors, or is otherwise injurious to the estates of said inhabitants. Nuisances.

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Salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton.

Offered by Mr. Howard of Newton. —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton.

Making up of freight trains and sounding of locomotive whistles in freight yards.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of authorizing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to forbid or regulate the making up or shifting in the night-time of the freight trains, or cars of any railroad company, in cities of not less than twenty thousand inhabitants, and to regulate the sounding of whistles on the locomotives of railroad companies in their freight yards.

Sale at public auction of the capital stock of railroad corporations.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of so amending sections 58 and 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, relating to subscriptions for and sales by public auction of the capital stock of railroad corporations, as to provide that all railroads, when granted authority to increase their capital stock, shall sell such stock at public auction.

Assessment of taxes.

Offered by Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of taxes, that the time for the assessment of all taxes shall be the first day of February of each year instead of the first day of May.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Capital punishment.

Offered by Mr. Emery of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing some other form of capital punishment than execution by hanging.

Papers from the Senate.

Mercantile agencies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation concerning the management and liability of mercantile agencies, so as to provide: (1) that all mercantile agencies doing business in this State shall hereafter be held responsible to the party injured by all statements not made in good faith and in the exercise of due diligence by said agencies or their agents or ser-

vants, regarding or in relation to the financial standing of any persons, firms or corporations; and no information furnished such agencies or statements made by them shall be considered privileged communications; (2) that all such agencies in this Commonwealth shall have an authorized attorney upon whom service may be made; (3) to prevent commercial agencies from carrying on a collection business in connection with the business of such agencies; and (4) that all foreign commercial agencies doing business in this State shall be required to make a deposit of money with the State treasurer to guarantee their good faith and responsibility.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the adulteration of articles used for food.

Adulteration of food.

The following papers were referred, in concurrence:—

Petition of the Chollar, Putnam & Sprague Company of the city of Worcester for a change of name. To the committee on Manufactures.

Chollar, Putnam & Sprague Company of the city of Worcester.

Petition of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association that women qualified to vote for members of the school committee be given the right to vote in all town and municipal elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage.

The report of the Commissioners for completing the preparation and publication of the Province Laws. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Province Laws.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration of so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health as is contained in the second recommendation on page 67 for the repeal of sections 103, 104 and 105 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to water supply, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Water Supply. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the State Board of Health, — water supply.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, at twenty minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 27, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Weymouth
Agricultural
and Industrial
Society.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, of the president, secretary and other members of the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society, for such enactments as may entitle the society to receive a bounty based upon its exhibition of 1890. To the committee on Agriculture.

Constitutional
amendments,—
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Newell of Rowe, of L. B. Rice and others, for a constitutional amendment requiring consent of inhabitants to division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Fining of em-
ployees.

Petition, presented by Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, of J. F. Connor and others, for the passage of a law prohibiting employers from fining their help without due process of law. To the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating
liquors,—num-
ber of licenses.

Petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the mayor and city solicitor of Holyoke for the repeal of chapter 340 of the Acts of 1888, entitled "An Act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquor." To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Salary of the
clerk of the
police court of
Fitchburg.

Petition, presented by Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, of Wylon G. Hayes, that the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg be increased to \$1,200.

Salary of the
register of pro-
bate and insol-
vency for Ply-
mouth County.

Petition, presented by Mr. Turner of Middleborough, of John C. Sullivan for increase of salary for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Plymouth.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition, presented by Mr. Britton of Stoughton, of Elizabeth J. S. Rose and others, for a law giving to women qualified to vote for school committee the right to vote in all town and city elections. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Offered by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of conferring upon school committees authority to introduce industrial training into the public schools where deemed expedient.

Industrial training in public schools.

Offered by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to compel school boards to pay janitors of school houses at least once in seven days.

Weekly payments for janitors of school houses.

Offered by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting, by law, the hours of labor of the employees of railroads operated in this Commonwealth, and of compelling extra compensation for extra service.

Hours of labor of employees on railroads.

Offered by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that hereafter only one place for each one thousand of the population shall be licensed to sell intoxicating liquor in the city of Boston.

City of Boston, — liquor licenses.

Offered by Mr. White of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing for a further distribution of the Supplement to the Public Statutes, substantially in the manner provided for the distribution of the Public Statutes by chapter 73 of the Resolves of the special session of 1881 relating to such distribution.

Distribution of the Supplement to the Public Statutes.

Offered by Mr. Withington of Newburyport, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to sanitary provisions and ventila-

Sanitary provisions in public buildings.

tion in public buildings and school houses, so as to provide that the Board of Health in cities and towns shall have the powers and duties given by said chapter to the district police.

Offered by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, —

Making up of
trains on grade
crossings.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the making up of trains on grade crossings.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Clerical assist-
ance for justices
of the Supreme
Judicial Court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing reasonable clerical assistance for the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Filing with the
Secretary of the
Commonwealth
of petitions of
corporations for
legislation.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting a law requiring petitions for legislation by corporations to be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a certain time before the same are introduced in the General Court, and requiring further that the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall refer each petition so filed to the State commission or board, if any, which has to do with the subject-matter of the petition, and that such commission or board shall make a report to the General Court on the subject-matter of the petition, giving such information as may enable members to properly understand and pass upon the matters involved, and recommending the enactment or refusal of the legislation prayed for.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Constitutional
Amendments.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Constitutional Amendments be granted further time in which to report on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to suffrage and the property qualification for Governor.

Committee on
Labor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor be authorized to visit such places, within the limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Women inspec-
tors of factories
and workshops.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide for the appointment of women inspectors of factories and workshops.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston. Salary of the justice of the Charlestown municipal court.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for legislation for the protection of horses mutilated by docking. To the committee on Agriculture. Docking of horses.

Petition of the Milford Equal Suffrage Association, that women qualified to vote for members of the school committee be given the right to vote in all town and municipal elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all drafts, bills and notes falling due on Sundays or legal holidays shall be paid on the following day. Drafts, bills and notes falling due on Sundays or legal holidays.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Newton P. Frye and others, that the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of North Andover be ratified and confirmed. Town of North Andover.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the southeastern district. Assistant district attorney for the southeastern district.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth. Appropriation bills.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, on the special report of the Auditor of Accounts, a Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1890 and previous years. Id.

Appropriation
bills.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses.

Wakefield Real
Estate and
Building
Association.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to extend the charter of the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

William V.
Thompson.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve to confirm the acts of William V. Thompson as a justice of the peace ought to pass.

Treasurer to
borrow money
in anticipation
of revenue.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Rice of Worcester, at twelve minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 28, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, a Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees. Read and referred to the committee on Labor, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Hours of labor
of railroad
employees.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules be allowed further time to report upon so much of the Governor's address as relates to the entertainment of committees and members.

Committee on
Rules, — enter-
tainment of
committees and
members.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Presho of Boston, was adopted by a vote of 95 to 45 : —

Ordered, That beginning next week, when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week it be to meet on the following Friday at one o'clock P.M.

Hour of meet-
ings on Friday.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Petition, presented by Mr. Presho of Boston, of Enoch Paige for further protection of persons against the assaults of dogs and for restraint of female dogs. To the committee on Agriculture.

Dogs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of Albert A. Pope and others for an act of incorporation with authority to establish a loan, trust and safe deposit company in Boston. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Albert A. Pope,
— loan, trust
and safe deposit
company.

City of Boston,
— conveyance
of land belong-
ing to the Com-
monwealth.

City of Boston,
— Mount Hope
Cemetery.

Petition, presented by Mr. McNamara of Boston, of the mayor of Boston, for the conveyance or lease to the city of certain land of the Commonwealth in South Boston.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, of the mayor of Boston for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of 1889, relating to Mount Hope Cemetery.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendments, —
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, of Lucius Field and others for a constitutional amendment requiring consent of inhabitants to division of towns.

Constitutional
amendments, —
biennial elec-
tions.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Gale of Haverhill, of T. T. Pomeroy and others; and by Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, of J. F. Connor and others, — severally, against the passage of the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Fining of
employees.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of T. T. Pomeroy and others for legislation prohibiting employers from fining their help.

Eight-hour law.

Petition, presented by Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, of J. F. Connor and others to amend the nine-hour law for public employees, so that eight hours shall be the limit.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of William McNaught and 218 others of Holyoke; of Joseph May and others of Fairfield; of Joseph Harvey and others of Huntington; of John T. Williamson and others of Westfield; of E. W. Brooks and others of West Springfield; and of John Cain and others of Turner's Falls, — severally, for a reduction of the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Municipal
lighting.

Petitions, presented by Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, of J. F. Connor and others; and by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of T. T. Pomeroy and others, — severally, for a law allowing cities and towns to make light, and engage in all lawful business that the citizens of such cities and towns may desire to enter into.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

Petition, presented by Mr. Charles of Boston, of the Boston Towboat Company for authority to increase its capital stock. Boston Towboat Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of Shubael B. Kelley and others for the incorporation of the Harwich Port Cemetery Association. Harwich Port Cemetery Association.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, of the selectmen and other citizens of Greenfield that chapter 428 of the Acts of 1890, relating to grade crossings, may be so amended as to provide for those crossings where more than one railroad crosses a public way at the same crossing. To the committee on Railroads. Grade crossings.

Petition, presented by Mr. Worcester of Townsend, of the Ayer Woman Suffrage League, that women qualified to vote for school committee may be given the right to vote in all town and municipal elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the town of Everett for authority to issue additional water bonds, notes or scrip, came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Towns. Mr. Bennett moved that the petition be referred to the committee on Water Supply, which motion, after debate, was lost; and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence. Town of Everett, — water bonds.

Petition, presented by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, of Almon T. Mowry and others, that the town of Nantucket may be exempted from the operation of chapter 170, section 6, of the Public Statutes, and that the list of jurors may include one to every thirty inhabitants. Nantucket county, — jurors.

Petition, presented by Mr. Stevens of Boston, of the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board for leave to hold public sales, at their auction room, of real estate or personal property situated in any city or town within ten miles of Boston. Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board of Boston, — auction sales of real estate and personal property.

Petition, presented by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, of Hosea M. Knowlton and others, for changing the time for the sittings of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court for Bristol County. Change of time of the sittings of the Supreme Judicial Court, in Bristol County.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

- Milk.** Offered by Mr. Bullard of Sutton, —
Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 57 of the Public Statutes, as amended by section 6 of chapter 352 of the Acts of 1885, and section 2 of chapter 318 of the Acts of 1886, relating severally to the test of milk, so that the conditions prescribed as determining “good standard quality” shall not exclude any milk which is the natural unadulterated product of a healthy cow.
- Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.** Offered by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 340, Acts of 1888, relating to the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, so that the same shall not exceed one for each five hundred of the population, instead of one to one thousand.
- Returns of foreign corporations.** Offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, —
Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of compelling all foreign corporations, other than railroads, doing business in Massachusetts, to make some or all of the annual returns to the proper departments in this Commonwealth now required of domestic corporations.
- Foreign mortgage corporations.** Offered by the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, as defined by chapter 427 of the Acts of 1889, so as to give him general supervision of other foreign corporations doing business in this State, and especially of those selling stocks and bonds and securities other than mortgages.
- Printing and distribution of the laws and public documents.** Offered by Mr. Hemenway of Canton, —
Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of reducing the number of the series of public documents now printed, as provided for in chapter 440 of the Acts of 1889, relating to the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents, and of reducing the number printed of any particular document ;

also the expediency of providing that the number of documents to which each member of the General Court is entitled may be credited to such member instead of being forwarded to him, and that such member may be allowed to direct where the copies for which he has use shall be forwarded.

Offered by Mr. Presho of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation regulating the practice of medicine by requiring the registration of medical degrees.

Registration of medical degrees.

Offered by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department.

Salary of the third clerk in the insurance department.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of a law providing that all applications for the pardon of criminals shall be published in such papers of this State as deemed necessary, that the people may be duly informed concerning said applications.

Publication of applications for pardon.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 440 of the Acts of 1890, relating to fines in criminal cases, so that all fines under said section accruing to towns or cities shall likewise belong to said corporations when paid after commitment.

Fines in criminal cases.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, that the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land (P. S. c. 191), so that mechanics or laborers who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor without being required to give notice to the owner in advance, that they intend to claim a lien therefor.

Mechanics' liens.

Offered by Mr. Gould of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation regulating the procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners, so that the public and representatives of the press shall not be excluded from hearings or proceedings in which

Procedure before boards of public officers.

testimony is taken affecting the rights or privileges of private persons or public interests.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Publication of
legal and legis-
lative notices.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider whether any further legislation is necessary in regard to publishing legal and legislative notices.

The following order, offered by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Dewey of Boston, pending its adoption, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Entertainment
of committees
and members
of the General
Court.

Ordered, that the committee on Rules consider the expediency of enacting such laws or making such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county or town officials, or by the Legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Private cross-
ings over
railroads.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of enacting a law compelling railroad companies to maintain safe crossings where such are necessary to enable owners to reach and use their land, unless such land has been fully paid for by such companies.

The following House order: —

Support of
dependent
families.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of providing for the support, either wholly or in part, of dependent families through the enforced labor of husbands and fathers, who, either as idlers or criminals, leave them to suffer, —

Came down with the endorsement "amended by striking out the words 'committee on Labor,' and inserting in place thereof the words 'joint committee on the Judiciary,'" in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following House order :

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider Nuisances. the expediency of giving the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court, on the petition of a city or town, or of the board of health thereof, jurisdiction in equity to prevent the exercise of any trade or employment which is a nuisance, or hurtful to the inhabitants, or dangerous to the public health, or the exercise of which is attended by noisome or injurious odors, or is otherwise injurious to the estates of said inhabitants, —

Came down with the endorsement “ amended by striking out the words ‘ committee on Public Health,’ and inserting in place thereof the words ‘ joint committee on the Judiciary,’ ” in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A petition of the Water Commissioners of the town of Needham that said town be authorized to issue additional water bonds to the amount of thirty thousand dollars, came down referred to the committee on Water Supply, in which reference the House concurred. Town of Needham, — additional water bonds.

Subsequently, Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House concurred in the reference, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Henry J. Cross, for compensation for injuries sustained, while in performance of military duty at the State camp ground at Framingham. Henry J. Cross.

Petition of John Reade, that Joseph Fernald may be made eligible to receive State aid. Joseph Fernald.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on orders, a Bill to amend an Act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense. Read, and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Town elections, — printing and distribution of ballots.

House rules.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to report rules for the government of the House, reported recommending the adoption of rules for the government of the House, which are printed as House Document No. 34. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department.

Forest Hills Cemetery.

By Mr. Stearns of Salem, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill in addition to an Act to incorporate the Proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery.

Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps.

By Mr. Whitney of North Attleborough, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill to prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badges of the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles A. Dearborn.

By Mr. Handley of Acton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Charles A. Dearborn. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Files.

Quincy water supply.

On motions of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the petition of the mayor of the city of Quincy for the passage of an act to allow said city to supply itself with water, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Appropriation bill.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all drafts, bills and notes falling due on Sundays or legal holidays shall be paid on the following day ; and Orders of the day.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Newton P. Frye and others that the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of North Andover be ratified and confirmed ;

Were severally accepted.

Bills :

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1890 and previous years ;

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses ;

To extend the charter of the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association ; and

To provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the southeastern district ;

Resolves :

Authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue ; and

To confirm the acts of William V. Thompson as a justice of the peace ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Brown of West Brookfield, at one minute past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 29, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

State Board of
Arbitration.

The annual report of the State Board of Arbitration was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was laid on the table.

Introduced on Leave.

Weekly pay-
ment of wages.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, a Bill to amend an Act to provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations. Read and referred to the committee on Labor, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Waltham Sav-
ings Bank.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hall of Waltham, of the Waltham Savings Bank for the refunding of certain taxes paid in excess of the amount required by law.

Haverhill Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of Charles W. Morse and others for an act of incorporation as the Haverhill Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

John M. Berry,
— election of
Senators and
Representatives.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of John M. Berry for the adoption of a system of equal representation for the election of senators and representatives. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

John M. Berry,
— election of
selectmen,
aldermen and
councilmen.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of John M. Berry for such legislation as will permit any town to elect its selectmen and any city its aldermen and councilmen by a system of equal representation. To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition, presented by Mr. Chance of Boston, of George J. Moulton and David Taylor relative to the establishment of a minimum wage for all trades and all wage workers. Minimum wages for all trades and wage workers.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of T. T. Pomeroy and others that eight hours may be the limit of a day's work for public employees. Eight-hour law

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Petition, presented by Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, of D. P. Pope and others for an act enabling the town of Danvers to erect and maintain an electric light plant. Town of Danvers,—electric light.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of Richard Britton and 104 others; and by Mr. McCarthy of Boston, of Patrick F. Shevlin and others, — severally, for a law permitting cities and towns to manufacture and furnish gas and electricity. Manufacture and sale of gas and electricity by cities and towns.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of the President of the New Bedford Gas Light Company for a change of name to the New Bedford Gas and Edison Light Company. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. New Bedford Gas Light Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Savage of Lowell, of Jeremiah J. Scannell that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs. Jeremiah J. Scannell.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of Rufus K. Noyes and others that unvaccinated children may be allowed to attend the public schools. To the committee on Public Health. Vaccination.

Petition, presented by Mr. Flood of North Adams, of William Martin and others for increase of the annuity of Patrick Buckley, injured at Hoosac Tunnel, to two hundred dollars. Patrick Buckley.

Petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of John N. Pike for increase of salary of the justice of the police court for the district of Newburyport. Salary of the justice of the police court of Newburyport.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition, presented by Mr. Chance of Boston, of George J. Moulton and David Taylor, that women be allowed equal suffrage with men. Woman suffrage.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the Everett Suffrage League; by Mr. Tilton of Natick of the General Wadsworth Independent Relief Corps, and of

the Natick Woman Suffrage League, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Records of the
Registry of
Deeds for the
northern dis-
trict of the
County of
Bristol.

• Petition, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of the chairman of the county commissioners of the county of Bristol for leave to take further time and spend further sums of money for copying certain records under chapter 158 of the Acts of 1890. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Cape Poge
Ferry Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of Thomas D. Mills and others for incorporation as the Cape Poge Ferry Co., with authority to construct wharves or piers, came from the committee on Rules with a statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioners had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Mayhew the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Shade trees.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 196 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the preservation of ornamental and shade trees along the highways, by striking out in the tenth line of said section the words "Secretary of the Commonwealth," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture," so that that official shall provide and furnish the nails required by the act.

Offered by Mr. Carter of Lawrence, —

Cities, — ordi-
nances govern-
ing the sale of
prepared wood.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of enacting legislation to enable cities to make ordinances to govern the sale of prepared wood, slabs and edgings when sold by the load.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing corporations subject to the provisions of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to powers, duties and liabilities of corporations and acts amendatory thereof, to extend their business to other businesses of a similar nature upon consent of less than the whole number of stockholders.

Corporations, —
extension of
business.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of empowering the Commissioner of Corporations, upon due notice and hearing, to authorize corporations subject to the provisions of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to powers, duties and liabilities of corporations, and acts amendatory thereof, to change their names.

Corporations, —
change of
names.

Offered by Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of having the muster rolls of the Massachusetts troops of the period of the Revolution published as public documents, the volumes to be stereotyped and copies offered for sale at cost. Also to provide that His Excellency the Governor may appoint a commission of three qualified persons to superintend such publication, to serve without compensation.

Muster rolls of
Massachusetts
Revolutionary
troops.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending the law relating to the militia as to provide for increased compensation of buglers and drummers, and of providing chief buglers of infantry with an allowance for horses.

Compensation
of buglers and
drummers in
the militia.

Offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing one thousand extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry, for the use of said board, and that hereafter the edition of the annual report of said board be increased from 1,500 copies to 2,500 copies.

Report of the
Board of Regis-
tration in
Dentistry.

Offered by Mr. McLean of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation providing for the appointment of a commissioner of highways and bridges

Commissioner
of roads and
bridges.

for the inspection and supervision of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth, and whose duty shall be to furnish information and advice to the cities and towns in relation to highways and bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Entertainment
of state, county,
city and town
officials by
corporations or
individuals.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of enacting such laws or making such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county or town officials, or by the Legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend in line one by striking out the words "committee on Rules," and inserting in place thereof the words "committees on Rules of the two branches sitting jointly." Mr. Wilson of Boston moved to further amend in line four by inserting after the word "county" the word "city." The amendments were severally adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Saving of life
at fires.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 3 of chapter 310 of the Acts of 1888 (An Act requiring the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires), that the Chief of the District Police or any State inspector of factories and public buildings, shall bring complaint against any city or town which neglects to comply with the provisions of this act after having duly notified said city or town in writing.

Jurisdiction in
naturalization
cases.

Offered by Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 203 of the Acts of 1886, relating to naturalization, by striking out in lines five and six of said chapter the words "a seal and a clerk," and inserting in place thereof the words "and a seal;" so that jurisdiction of primary declarations of intention and final applications for naturalization may be exercised by district, police and municipal courts having common law jurisdiction and a seal.

Offered by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing chapter 225 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the issue of a summons in minor criminal prosecutions, or of so amending the same that, hereafter, in all cases of criminal prosecution a warrant for the arrest of defendant shall be issued by the court or magistrate receiving the complaint. Summonses in minor criminal prosecutions.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance consider the expediency of an appropriation to furnish and pay for the nails named in chapter 196 of the Acts of 1890, relating to preserving ornamental and shade trees along the highways. Shade trees.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, so that persons nominated for office under its provisions may cause their names to be withdrawn from nomination in manner similar to that provided in section 8 of chapter 413 of the Acts of the year 1889, for withdrawal of candidates nominated under the provisions of said last-mentioned act. Town elections, — withdrawal of candidates.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relative to qualification of voters for representatives to Congress, so as to provide that no person, otherwise qualified to vote for said officers, shall, by reason of a change of residence within the Commonwealth, be disqualified from voting therefor in the city or town from which he removed his residence until the expiration of six calendar months from the time of such removal. Disfranchisement of voters because of a change of residence within the Commonwealth.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to qualifications of male voters, so as to provide that no person otherwise qualified to vote in elections for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives, shall,

by reason of a change of residence within the Commonwealth, be disqualified from voting for said officers in the city or town from which he has removed his residence until the expiration of six calendar months from the time of such removal.

Qualification of
soldiers and
sailors as
voters.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to qualifications of voters, so as to provide that no person having served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and honorably discharged from such service, if otherwise qualified to vote, shall be disqualified therefor on account of receiving or having received aid from any city or town.

Salaries of the
Deputy Con-
trollers of
County Ac-
counts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the Deputy Controllers of County Accounts.

Taxation of
mortgaged per-
sonal property.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 23 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to taxing mortgaged personal property, so that taxes assessed upon such mortgaged personal property shall constitute a lien thereon, and that after the mortgagee takes possession of such property he shall be liable for all taxes assessed thereon.

The following House Order : —

Fraternal bene-
ficiary corpora-
tions.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to fraternal beneficiary corporations, by striking out the word "fifty," in line 24 of section 1 of said chapter, and inserting "seventy-five" in place thereof, —

Came down with the endorsement, "amended by adding at the end thereof the words, 'So as to increase the amount of money derived from assessments required to be set aside for the exclusive payment of matured endowment certificates,'" in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following House Order : —

Support of
paupers.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 6 of

chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, [A] relating to the support of paupers, by inserting after the word "grandmother," in the second line, the words "married or single;" also, the expediency of amending section 18 of the same chapter by inserting after the word "time," in the fifth line, the words "between May first and November first, or for a longer period than eight weeks at one time for cases notified between November first and May first;" [B] also, the expediency of amending section 29 of the same chapter by striking out the words "two months," where they occur in the second line and in the third line, and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "one month" [C],—

Came down with the endorsement "amended at [A] by striking out the words 'relating to' and inserting in place thereof the words 'specifying the classes of kindred who shall be bound for;' at [B] by inserting the words 'so as to make the time more specific;' and at [C] by adding the words 'So as to shorten the time within which the overseers of the poor must send their reasons for objecting to the removal of a pauper,'" in which amendments the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following House Order:—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 19 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, relating to the care and education of neglected children, by inserting after the word "children," in the seventh line, the words "and of the Hampden County Children's Aid Association."

Neglected children,—Hampden County Children's Aid Association.

Came down with the endorsement "amended by adding at the end thereof the words 'So that the officers and agents of said society may be authorized to make complaints for the violation of the by-laws of a town respecting such children and to carry into execution judgments thereon,'" in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House Order:—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as may be

State Board of Agriculture,—forests and birds.

suggested by the State Board of Agriculture in reply to Order of 5 February, 1890, relating to forests, and Order of 28 May, 1890, relating to birds, duly received, and whose reports under said orders cannot be submitted until after acceptance and adoption by said Board at its annual meeting, which continues beyond the time assigned for the admission of new business.

Widow of
Joshua
Phippen.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the widow of the late Joshua Phippen, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

World's Colum-
bian Exposi-
tion.

A message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting certain messages and documents relating to the World's Columbian Exposition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Smith College.

Petition of the Trustees of the Smith College for authority to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Education.

Boundary line
between Brock-
ton and West
Bridgewater.

Remonstrance of James Copeland and others against any change in the boundary line between the city of Brockton and the town of West Bridgewater. To the committee on Towns.

Woman suf-
frage.

Petition of the Newton Non-partisan Woman Suffrage League that municipal suffrage be granted to women.

Id.

Petition of the City Point Woman Suffrage League that women qualified to vote for members of the school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Report of a Committee.

Transfer of
certain State
property to the
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Resolve relative to the transfer of certain military property to the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Edson of Barnstable moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted the following order:—

Ordered, That beginning next week, when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week it be to meet on the following Friday at one o'clock P.M. Hour of meetings on Friday.

After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 65 to 99.

Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the committee on Towns the petition of the town of Everett for authority to issue additional water bonds, notes or scrip. After debate, the motion prevailed by a vote of 72 to 49. The question recurring on the reference, Mr. Johnson moved that the petition be referred to the committee on Water Supply. The motion prevailed, and the petition was sent up for concurrence in the reference. Town of Everett, — water bonds.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House concurred with the Senate in the reference to the committee on Water Supply of the petition of the Water Commissioners of the town of Needham that said town be authorized to issue additional water bonds to the amount of \$30,000, was discharged from the orders of the day under a suspension of the rule, and was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. Town of Needham, — water bonds.

On motions of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the report of the committee on Rules, recommending the adoption of Rules for the government of the House, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed in the orders of the day. House Rules.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

In addition to an act to incorporate The Proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery ; and Orders of the day.

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1890 and previous years ;

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses ;

To extend the charter of the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association ; and

To provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the southeastern district ; and the

Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to confirm the acts of William V. Thompson as justice of the peace was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badges of the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps was read a second time and considered. Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to amend in line 3, by inserting after the word "corps," the words "or fraternal organizations." Mr. Carpenter of Brookline raised the point of order that the amendment was not in order, for the reason that it was beyond the scope of the order considered by the committee and upon which the bill was reported. The Speaker declared the point well taken and the amendment was ruled out. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense was read a third time and considered. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by inserting after the word "inserting," the words "after the word 'meeting,' in the second line thereof, the words 'or at some subsequent meeting held at least thirty days before the next annual town election,' by inserting." The same gentleman also moved to amend in line 20 of section 1, by inserting, after the word "meeting," the

words "or at some subsequent meeting held at least thirty days before the next annual town election." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, at one minute past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 30, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order Adopted.

Savings Banks
Commissioners,
— savings bank
deposits.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —
Ordered, That the Savings Banks Commissioners report at once to the House of Representatives information as to whether there has been any falling off in savings bank deposits in this State since Oct. 31, 1890, as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
quorum of the
Senate and
House of Repre-
sentatives.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Chester of Newton, of E. E. Strong and others; by Mr. Clark of Palmer, of Charles B. Fiske and others; by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, of S. L. Graves and others; and by Mr. Monk of Brockton, of DeWitt C. Packard and others, — severally, for the passage of the pending constitutional amendment to change the quorum of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Woodcock,
ruffed grouse
and quail.

Petition, presented by Mr. Thomas of Brockton, of Fred Kimball and others that the period between October 1 and January 1 may be established as the "open season" for woodcock, ruffed grouse and quail. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Manufacture
and sale of gas
and electricity
by cities and
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of J. B. Warren and 102 others for a law permitting cities and towns to manufacture and furnish gas and electricity. To the committee on Manufactures.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, of Clara Abbott.
Clara Abbott, widow of F. O. Abbott, late acting ensign,
United States Navy, for State aid and that her husband's
name may be put on the rolls. To the committee on
Military Affairs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the Everett Congre-
gational Society that its acts and doings gational Society.
may be ratified and confirmed. To the committee on Par-
ishes and Religious Societies.

Petition, presented by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, of the Town of
selectmen of the town of Arlington that said town may Arlington,—
be authorized to issue water bonds for the purpose of water bonds.
refunding its water debt, maturing Jan. 1, 1892. To the
committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, of Annexion of
the city of Cambridge for the annexation of a portion a portion of
of the town of Belmont to the city of Cambridge, came Belmont to
from the committee on Rules with the statement that the Cambridge.
petition came within the provision of Joint Rule 9, and
that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions
of said rule. On motion of Mr. Howe the 9th joint rule
was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentle-
man the petition was referred to the committee on Towns,
with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice
has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up
for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by
the committee on Rules : —

Offered by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider Dogs.
the expediency of further legislation for the better protec-
tion of sheep and other domestic animals against damage
done by dogs.

Offered by Mr. Wilson of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the New Public
expediency of legislation for enabling the city of Boston Library,—city
to borrow the sum of \$150,000, to be expended for the of Boston.
completion of the new Public Library building, in addi-

tion to the sum of \$850,000 asked for for the same purpose by the petition of the mayor of Boston; said amount not to be included within the limit fixed by section 2 of chapter 178 of the Acts of 1885, relating to the debt limit of the city of Boston.

Offered by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, —

Height of
buildings in
cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation giving authority to cities to control the height of buildings erected on public streets.

Offered by Mr. Wilson of Boston, —

Watering of
streets.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 365 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the watering of streets, so as to provide that a city shall annually determine whether its streets shall be watered by means of a general appropriation or by assessment; and that such method having been determined shall not be changed during that year; and of further providing that if such means are to be provided by assessment, then that such assessment shall be collected or abated in the same manner and for like causes only as taxes are now collected or abated.

Offered by Mr. Sprague of Boston, —

Preservation of
check lists used
in town meet-
ings.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 98 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to require the preservation of check lists used in town meetings held for the election of town officers in the same manner that check lists used at State elections are required to be preserved.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Copies of votes
cast at elections.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 108 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to allow city and town clerks in case of recounts of ballots cast at any election fifteen days instead of ten in which to transmit copies of votes as provided in said section.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Recounts of
votes cast in
elections.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending sections 104 and 106 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to make more certain the times within

which requests for recounts must be filed ; so as to extend the time within which such recounts must be had ; so as to provide that notice of the time and place for holding such recounts shall be given to all candidates interested in and liable to be affected thereby, and also to all party committees of the city or town where such recounts are to be held representing the party of each of the several candidates interested in and liable to be affected thereby, some fixed number of hours or days prior to such recounts ; and also so as to provide that such recounts shall not be made in secret session of the board making the same, but publicly, opportunity being afforded a reasonable number of persons of the various political parties to witness such recounts.

Offered by Mr. Babson of Gloucester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of so amending chapter 192 of the Acts of 1886, entitled an Act for the protection of fisheries in Buzzard's Bay, as to give to Massachusetts fishermen or to citizens of the United States equal and exact rights in the taking of the free-swimming migratory fish of the ocean not anadromous in their nature and character. Fishing in Buzzard's Bay.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of providing by bounty or otherwise for the destruction of hawks and other predatory birds. Bounty for the destruction of hawks and other predatory birds.

Offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation to provide that insurance companies may transact more than one class or kind of insurance, and that foreign insurance companies may be admitted to transact business for which insurance companies are not organized under the laws of the Commonwealth. Foreign insurance companies.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of further legislation to permit the formation of insurance companies in this Commonwealth for other kinds of insurance than those for which such organizations are now permitted. Domestic insurance companies.

Penstoning of
railroad em-
ployees.

Offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of a law requiring railroad corporations to pay a pension for life to employees crippled in the faithful discharge of their work, and a pension to the widow and orphans of an employee killed while faithfully performing railway service.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

Offered by Mr. Withington of Newburyport, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Arbitration, to be distributed under the direction of said board.

Distribution of
Supplement to
the Public
Statutes.

Offered by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 383 of the Acts of the year 1888 (relative to the distribution of public documents) by inserting after the word "courts," in the fifteenth line, the words "the trial justices," so that copies of the supplement provided for by said act shall be distributed one to each of the trial justices now in commission in the several counties.

Clerks in the
district courts
of southern
Worcester.

Offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of enacting a law requiring a clerk in one or more of the district courts in the southern part of the county of Worcester.

Reports of de-
cisions of the
supreme
judicial court.

Offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the sums allowed the reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court for salary, clerk hire and the incidental expenses of his office.

Flagmen at
grade crossings.

Offered by Mr. Moreau of Spencer, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of compelling all railroad corporations to keep a flagman at every grade crossing within the Commonwealth.

Whistling by
locomotives at
grade crossings.

Offered by Mr. Fales of Norfolk, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will compel the sounding of a whistle whenever a train is approaching a highway over which it has to pass.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing the Civil Service Commissioners to summon witnesses and administer oaths, and take testimony. Civil Service Commissioners.

Offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relating to the issuing of certificates of divorce other than by courts having jurisdiction of such matters. Certificates of divorce.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section 18 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, and other sections of said act relating to and defining the persons who shall compose the board of registrars of voters in the various cities and towns, so as to define the composition of said board when the city or town clerk is not a member of one of the two political parties which cast the largest number of votes in the Commonwealth at the annual election next preceding. Registrars of voters.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five hundred additional copies of the report of the Topographical Survey Commission. Report of Topographical Survey Commission.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing one thousand additional copies of the report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry. Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending chapter 58 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to authorizing advances to officers entrusted with the disbursement of public moneys, that the amount advanced to the disbursing officer of the Board of Lunacy and Charity shall not exceed two thousand dollars. Money advanced to Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of Abolition of grade crossings.

the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the abolition of grade crossings, by providing that, when the altering or discontinuing of a grade crossing affects two or more railroads instead of one, the proportionate cost thereof, which each of said railroads shall pay, may be determined.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as it may deem necessary in the discharge of its duties.

The following House order : —

Registration of
medical de-
grees.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation regulating the practice of medicine by requiring the registration of medical degrees, —

Came down with the endorsement “amended by striking out the words ‘committee on Public Health,’ and inserting in place thereof the words ‘joint committee on the Judiciary,’” in which amendment the House non-concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Lemira C.
Pennell.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Lemira C. Pennell that she may be indemnified for injuries to which she has been subjected by State officials, and compensated for work she has done in exposing wrongs done those who cannot speak in their own behalf, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read. The House non-concurred, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Memorial
Hospital in
Worcester.

A Bill to change the name of the Trustees of the Memorial Hospital in Worcester (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Joint rules.

A report of the joint special committee on Rules, recommending the adoption of sundry rules for the government of the two branches (Senate Doc. No. 18), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Edward Everett Warner that a committee be appointed to negotiate for the purchase of the sword worn by General Washington when resigning his commission as commander-in-chief of the army. To the committee on the Library. George Wash-
ington's sword.

Petition of John D. Holbrook and others for a law permitting cities and towns to manufacture and furnish gas and electricity. To the committee on Manufactures. Manufacture of
gas and elec-
tricity by cities
and towns.

Petition of a committee of the directors of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company that the time within which it must complete the construction of its railroad be extended to June 1, 1895. To the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. New York and
Boston Inland
Railroad
Company.

Petitions of the Roxbury Woman Suffrage League, of the Needham Woman Suffrage League, and of the Woman Suffrage League of the city of Somerville, — severally, that women qualified to vote for members of the school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections. Woman
suffrage.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Dyar of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of George P. Guerrier. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. George P.
Guerrier.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

In addition to an act to incorporate The Proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery; Orders of the
Day.

To prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badges of the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps; and

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at thirty-four minutes past eleven o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 2, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received and were severally laid on the table :—

Annual report of the Attorney-General (Pub. Doc. No. 12). Attorney-General.

Annual report of the State Gas Inspector. State Gas Inspector.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and were severally referred, as follows :—

Fifteenth annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. To the committee on Banks and Banking. Savings Bank Commissioners.

Annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Harbor and Land Commissioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

County Estimates.

The estimates for the several counties for taxes for the present year, and the accounts of the county treasurers, were received, and referred to the committee on County Estimates. County estimates, — accounts of county treasurers.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Elections be authorized to send for persons and papers and to employ a stenographer in the matter of the petition of Herman Bird for a recount of the vote for representative to the General Court in the Fourth Middlesex District. Committee on Elections, — contested election.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Refunding of
taxes unlaw-
fully collected
by savings
banks.

Petition, presented by Mr. Clark of Boston, of Louis M. Clark for a law providing for the refunding of taxes unlawfully collected of savings banks and savings institutions, during the years 1887 and 1888, and paid without formal protest. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Lynn,—
aldermen.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, of the mayor of the city of Lynn, for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to enable it to increase its aldermanic board from eight to nine members. To the committee on Cities.

Alewives in
Herring River.

Petition, presented by Mr. Charles of Boston, of David D. Nye and others, selectmen of Bourne, for further legislation respecting the taking of alewives in Herring River in the town of Bourne or its tributaries or the ponds in which said fish cast their spawn. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

Petitions, presented by Mr. O'Brien of Lawrence, of the mayor and members of the city government and 20 others of Lawrence; and of Lewis F. Prescott and 167 others of Lawrence; and by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the mayor and members of the city government and 31 others of Holyoke; and of George A. Blake and 37 others of Holyoke,—severally, for a reduction of the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Wachusett
Club.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of Frank G. Cummings and others for the incorporation of the Wachusett Club.

Wausacum
Lake Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, of Edward G. Stevens and others for incorporation as the Wausacum Lake Company, with authority to buy, sell, lease and mortgage real and personal estate in the town of Sterling.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Ponkapong tribe
of Indians.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rady of Cambridge, of Lemuel Burr of the Ponkapong tribe of Indians for an appropriation.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, of the trustees of the Consumptives' Home, for an amendment to its charter to enable it to hold additional real and personal estate. Consumptives' Home.

Petition, presented by Mr. Dewey of Boston, of the Widows' Society in Boston, for leave to hold property, real and personal, to the amount of \$500,000. Widows' Society in Boston.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Moore of Waltham, of E. Q. Smith and others, that the salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex may be increased to one thousand dollars. To the committee on Public Service. Salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of W. J. D. Bullock, relative to amending section 39 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so as to confer upon the clerk or secretary of assessors the power to administer oaths to persons bringing in their lists. To the committee on Taxation. Administering of oaths to persons bringing lists of property for taxation.

Petition, presented by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, of the Winchester Suffrage League, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Women Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Offered by Mr. Sprague of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending the charter of the City of Boston as: 1. To change the present system of submitting annual estimates to the mayor, and the system of making appropriations and transfers; 2. To establish some board of estimates or of appropriation, or of both, with such powers in these respects as may be deemed best; 3. And to change the financial year of said city. City of Boston.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy,—

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending the Constitu- Constitutional amendment,—

contested elections.

tion so as to allow the decision of contested elections to be vested in the courts.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Constitutional amendment,—
new division of
cities into
wards.

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending the Constitution so as to allow a new division of cities into wards after the taking of the decennial State census and upon the basis of the figures of such census.

Attendance of
children in the
schools.

Offered by Mr. Kirby of Westport, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 47 of the Public Statutes relative to the attendance of a child at a school in a city or town where the parent or guardian of such child does not reside, so that there shall be deducted from the amount which such parent or guardian is required to pay for tuition of such child the amount of the tax which such parent or guardian pays for school purposes in such city or town.

Recounts of
votes cast in
elections.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing the provisions of sections 104 and 105 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relative to recounts of votes, or of amending the same so as to further restrict the right to demand such recounts.

Tellers at town
meetings.

Offered by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 222 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the swearing of tellers at town meetings, so as to provide that such tellers shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by either the moderator or the town clerk.

Popular election
of United States
senators.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of memorializing Congress in favor of amending the Constitution of the United States so as to provide for the election of United States Senators by direct popular vote.

Foreign life
insurance com-
panies.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of providing for a more thorough inspection of foreign life insurance companies doing business in this Commonwealth, and also providing for the appointment by

this Commonwealth of some suitable persons upon the inspection boards of government of the different foreign life insurance companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing for the appointment of a special commission to prepare a draft of an act or acts embodying the principles of the so-called Torrens or Australian system for the registration by the State of land titles, so that the same are made indefeasible and transferable by certificate instead of by deed, with any modifications of such system or additional provisions incidental thereto or changes in the present law desirable in order to conform therewith which such commission may deem advisable.

Registration of land titles.

Offered by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 29 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors, as to provide for the appointment of one or more inspectors of liquors in cities or towns of this Commonwealth where licenses are granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Intoxicating liquors, inspectors of.

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will provide what appropriation should be made for the expenses and clerical assistance of the State Pension Agent.

State Pension Agent.

Offered by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 103 of the Public Statutes, relating to the district police, by providing that the term of office of the district police shall be during good behavior and until removal for cause by the Governor.

Tenure of office of the District Police.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the

Tenure of office of police officers in towns.

several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns after hearing for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

District police,
— additional
officer to be
stationed at
Buzzard's Bay.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing the appointment of an additional member of the detective department of the district police force to be assigned to some convenient district on the shores of Buzzard's Bay.

Offered by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, —

Equity juris-
diction of the
Supreme Judi-
cial Court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 28 of chapter 151 of the Public Statutes, relating to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court, by substituting the words "one month" for the words "three months," in the second line, so that said section 28 shall read as follows: —
"Section 28. If the regular term for such trial does not come within one month from the making up of such issues, any justice of the court may order the clerk for the county where the cause is pending to summon a jury in the ordinary manner to try any such issues, and the proceedings at such trial shall be in all respects the same as if had at a regular term of the court, and the record thereof shall be of the same force and effect as any other record of the court."

Offered by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Trustees'
bonds.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending section 16 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes, relating to the exemption of trustees from giving surety or sureties on their bonds, as to make the same conform to the provisions of the Public Statutes in regard to sureties on the bonds of executors.

Papers from the Senate.

Woodchucks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of compelling the payment by towns or counties of uniform bounties for the extermination of woodchucks or ground hogs.

The following House Order :—

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, as defined by chapter 427 of the Acts of 1889, so as to give him general supervision of other foreign corporations doing business in this State, and especially of those selling stocks and bonds and securities other than mortgages,—

Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage
Corporations.

Came down with the endorsement “amended by striking out, after the words ‘supervision of,’ the word ‘other,’ and by striking out, after the word ‘State,’ the words ‘and especially of those,’” in which amendments the House non-concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A report of the committee on the Library, no legislation necessary, on the report of the librarian of the State Library for the year ending Sept. 30, 1890, and the eleventh annual supplement to the general catalogue, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State Library.

A Bill to enlarge the jurisdiction of notaries public, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Jurisdiction of
notaries public.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, supplemental to that of January 16, transmitting certain papers containing recommendations and suggestions of the State departments, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules.

Recommendations
of the State
departments.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to provide for the laying out of highways over vacant lands in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
—highways over
vacant lands.

Petition of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association, that the open season for partridge, quail and woodcock be made from October 1 to January 1.

Partridge, quail
and woodcock.

Petition of James A. Eldridge and others that the close season on quail be made from January 1 to October 15.

Game laws.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Levi B. Kelley. Petition of Levi B. Kelley that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Overcrowding of insane hospitals. Petition of L. C. Pennell for legislation to prevent the over-crowding of insane hospitals. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

Certificates of divorce.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the unlawful issuing of certificates of divorce.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill (recommitted) making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth, ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Young Men's Christian Association Training School.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School.

Globe Yarn Mills.

By Mr. Swallow of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Globe Yarn Mills to increase its capital stock.

Boston Provident Association.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill in addition to an Act to incorporate the Boston Provident Association.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Westborough Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve providing for deficiencies in the current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

State Normal College in Boston.

On motions of Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, the Bill establishing a State Normal College in Boston was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Education.

State Normal School at Worcester.

On motions of Mr. White of Worcester, the Bill to provide for the building of a dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester was taken from the files of

last year and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on Rules, recommending sundry rules for the government of the two branches, was accepted, and the rules adopted, in concurrence. Orders of the day.
[See Appendix, No. 3.]

The Bill to change the name of the Trustees of the Memorial Hospital in Worcester was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Rules, recommending the adoption of Rules for the government of the House, was considered. Mr. Ladd of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of Rule 25 the following words: "And shall state in its report the total amount of appropriations in the accompanying bill, and also at the end of each item in said bill the amount, if any, appropriated the previous year for the same purpose." The amendment was adopted. Mr. Meade of Salem moved to amend by adding at the end of Rule 1 the words, "One hundred and twenty-one members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business." Mr. Stearns of Salem moved to amend by striking out Rule 28. After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Rice of Worcester. The amendment moved by Mr. Meade of Salem was rejected by a vote of 46 to 78. The amendment moved by Mr. Stearns of Salem was rejected by a vote of 16 to 105. The report was then accepted, and the rules, as amended, were adopted. [See Appendix, No. 2.]

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, at five minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 3, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports Received.*Free Public
Library Com-
missioners.

The first report of the Free Public Library Commissioners of Massachusetts was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence.

Controller of
County Ac-
counts.

The fourth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was laid on the table.

*Introduced on Leave.*Appointment
of soldiers and
sailors to civil
offices.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, a Bill relating to the preferment of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors in appointments to civil office. Read and referred to the committee on Public Service, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*Committee on
Election Laws.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws be given further time to consider the expediency of legislation limiting the use of money at elections and in securing nominations to office.

Id.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws be given further time to consider the expediency of reporting an act making the days on which the State and municipal elections are held legal holidays.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Hour of
adjournment,
on Fridays.

On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, —

Ordered, That when the House is in session on Friday at half past two o'clock the Speaker shall declare the House adjourned until the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Petition, presented by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of Job M. Leonard and others, for an act of incorporation as the Fall River Loan and Trust Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking. Fall River Loan and Trust Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Chance of Boston, of the mayor of Boston, for an act enabling the city to pay the widow of Richard F. Tobin, late Fire Commissioner, the salary that would have been payable to such officer for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891. Widow of Richard F. Tobin.

Petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of the mayor of Newburyport for an act enabling the issue of bonds to an amount not exceeding \$200,000, for the purpose of paying and refunding general indebtedness. City of Newburyport.

Petition, presented by Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, of the mayor of Pittsfield for an amendment of the city charter so as to provide for the election of a city engineer by the city council. City of Pittsfield,—election of engineer.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition, presented by Mr. Newell of Rowe, of B. F. Henry and others for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendments,—division of towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. McFethries of Springfield, of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School to confer degrees. To the committee on Education. Young Men's Christian Association Training School.

Petition, presented by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of Lilburne Hiller and others, for an amendment of chapter 192 of the Acts of 1886, so as to allow the use of set nets and gill nets within one-half mile of the shore in the waters of Mattapoissett. Use of nets in the waters of Mattapoissett.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of John S. Nicholson and 103 others, for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl, between high and low water mark, from Nov. 1 to April 15. Wild fowl.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Chance of Boston, of Id. Alfred Shales and others, William Bennett and others,

Francis H. Wall and others, and H. E. Jepson and others, — severally, for the repeal of so much of chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886 as relates to pursuing wild fowl with a sail boat or steam launch.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

"The Order of
Nine Hundred
Dollars."

Petition, presented by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of Dwight S. Woodworth and E. M. Brown, members of "The Order of Nine Hundred Dollars," that the name of their corporation may be changed to "The Golden Palm." To the committee on Insurance.

Eight-hour law.

Petition, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of the Socialist Labor Party of Boston, that eight hours may be made the maximum limit of a day's work. To the committee on Labor.

Manufacture of
gas and elec-
tricity by cities
and towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Whitney of Attleborough, of William L. Church and others that cities and towns may be enabled to manufacture gas and electricity. To the committee on Manufactures.

Scottish Rite of
Freemasonry.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, of the Trustees of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for an amendment to its charter to enable it to hold additional real and personal estate.

George F.
Littlefield
Shoe Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ripley of Montague, of directors of the George F. Littlefield Shoe Company for a change of the corporate name of the Turners Falls Shoe Company.

New Bedford
Real Estate
Association.

Petition, presented by Mr. Shaw of New Bedford, of the New Bedford Real Estate Association for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans on mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Hiram N. Den-
ham.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of Hiram N. Denham of Edgartown that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Sarah E. Geyer.

Petition, presented by Mr. Thompson of Hopkinton, of Adrian Foote and others that Sarah E. Geyer may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

First Univer-
salist Meeting
House of Salem.

Petition, presented by Mr. Meade of Salem, of the Proprietors of the First Universalist Meeting House of Salem for authority to hold additional property. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Petitions, presented by Mr. McEnaney of Boston, of Woman's Charity Club Hospital. Delos D. Fish and others; and by Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, of D. P. Cilley and 102 others, — severally, for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, of Taxation of personal property. W. S. Phillips, Jr., and others, for an equitable assessment of all property so that personal property may bear its just proportion of the support and maintenance of government to the relief of the farmer and real estate owner.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of Single tax on land. Calvin L. Dickson and others; by Mr. Presho of Boston, of William E. Peabody and others; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, of Charles E. Hayes and others; and by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of A. C. McDonald and others, Michael Walsh and others, Edward W. Frost and others, Albert Parkhurst and others, and of J. W. Alexander and others, — severally, for the collection of all taxes by a single tax upon land based upon its site rental value.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of Division of Tisbury. Marcus Morton Smith and others, in aid of the petition for the division of the town of Tisbury.

Remonstrance, presented by the same gentleman, of Id. Gilbert L. Smith and others against the division of the town of Tisbury.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of Woman suffrage. the Woman's Suffrage League of Fall River; by Mr. Brown of West Brookfield, of the Warren Suffrage League; and by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of the Concord Woman's Suffrage League, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Oakes of Boston, of the Onset Street Railway Company. Onset Street Railway Company for an act enabling it to consolidate with any other street railway company in

Wareham, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of joint rule 9, and that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Oakes the 9th joint rule was suspended, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee may direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Nathan D. Pratt.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of Nathan D. Pratt to confirm the acts of Nathan D. Pratt as a justice of the peace.

Barnstable county, — sittings of the superior court.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of Alfred Crocker and others that the time of the sittings of the superior court may be changed in Barnstable County. Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taunton, — court house.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mott of Taunton, of William E. Fuller and others for an additional sum not exceeding \$150,000 over what is now authorized by law for the erection and completion of a court house in Taunton. To the committee on County Estimates.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Procedure in city councils.

Offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of defining more particularly the methods of procedure in city councils, the nature of ordinances, the expulsion of members, resignations, ballots, and other similar matters.

State Normal Art School.

Offered by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing additional space for studio work for the Normal Art School.

Appointment of tellers in elections.

Offered by Mr. Sprague of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending sections 80 and 222 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, by substituting the word "shall" for the word "may," in the second line of each of said sections, and by striking out of said section 80 the clause "and

selectmen shall appoint such tellers upon petition of ten legal voters," so that tellers must be appointed in all cases.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing section 59 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890 known as the Election Act of 1890, which section relates to the exemption of towns of less than 300 voters, from the provisions requiring the appointment of a board of registrars of voters.

Appointment of a board of registrars of voters in certain towns.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 11 of chapter 386 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the posting of lists of candidates in town elections, so as to make more certain the time when town clerks shall cause a printed list containing the names and residences of all candidates nominated in accordance with the provisions of said act to be posted.

Posting of lists of candidates in town elections.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 386 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the filing of certificates of nominations for town offices, so as to make more certain the times within which certificates of nominations, and nomination papers, shall be filed with town clerks; also so as to provide in case of objection to any nomination for notice thereof to any committee known to be interested in such nomination; also so as to provide that in case of any question arising in the case of nominations and a tie vote of the board of registrars of voters resulting upon such question the certificate of nomination, or nomination paper, in question, shall be deemed valid.

Certificates of nomination in town elections.

Offered by Mr. Meade of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 386, Acts of 1890, an act relative to election laws, so as to more clearly define the time for filing certificates of nominations and nomination papers, for providing that such certificates and paper shall be sworn to, and that the registrars of voters shall certify to the requisite number of names upon such papers. Also as to more definitely defining the time for filing certificates of nominations and nomination papers

Certificates of nomination and nomination papers.

required by chapter 413 of the Acts of 1889, and chapter 436 of the Acts of 1890, acts relative to election laws.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ineligibility of
candidates for
office.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of making some such provision to meet the case of ineligibility of a candidate for office discovered after nomination as is now provided in case of candidate's death after nomination.

Offered by Mr. Kirby of Westport, —

Town of West-
port,—fisheries.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing so much of the provisions of chapter 193 of the Acts of 1887, entitled "An Act for the protection of the fisheries in the waters of the town of Westport," as applies to the waters of Westport outside the harbor lines.

Offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Taking of shad
and alewives in
the Merrimac
River.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of extending the time for the taking of shad and alewives in the Merrimac River.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Insurance on
the life of
another without
his knowledge.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of regulating the placing of insurance by one person upon the life of another person so as — 1, to prohibit the effecting of such insurance upon persons under a specified age, and so as — 2, to prohibit such insurance upon a person who has no knowledge thereof.

Offered by Mr. Gould of Chelsea, —

Insurance com-
panies,—policy
holders.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of such legislation as will require insurance companies doing business within the limits of this Commonwealth, in cases of total loss by fire to buildings, to pay the amount named in their policy or contract to policy holders or their legal representatives.

Offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Insurance com-
panies,—divi-
dends.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending the law relating to the declaring of dividends by insurance companies, namely, the provisions of the Acts of 1887, chapter 214, section 38, so as to permit the declaring and paying of dividends in excess of the amount of ten per cent. per year.

Offered by Mr. Moreau of Spencer, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 341 of the Acts of 1888, relative to the minimum fees for liquor licenses, so as to reduce the amount to be paid for such licenses.

Fees for liquor licenses.

Offered by Mr. Lane of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide that all corporations formed under the laws of other States and doing business within the limits of this State shall be subject to the same laws and requirements which now apply to home corporations formed under the laws of this State.

Foreign corporations.

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of enacting a law which will prevent the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing arsenic, where such articles may be dangerous to the health of the community.

Articles of household or personal use containing arsenic.

Offered by Mr. Rice of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on State House consider the expediency of amending chapter 82 of the Resolves of 1886, relating to providing accommodations for State officers, commissions and boards outside of the State House and Commonwealth Building, so as to authorize the Commissioners on the State House to expend for rent annually a sum not exceeding five thousand seven hundred dollars, instead of forty-two hundred dollars as now provided.

Accommodations for State officers, boards and commissions.

Commonwealth Building.

Offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of passing a law to provide that all the taxes on personal property shall be collected by the State and that the returns now required to be made to the local assessors shall be made to the proper State officer; and further that the taxes so collected shall, after deducting the State tax, be returned to the towns and cities in which the owner of such personal property resides.

Taxes on personal property to be collected by the State.

Offered by Mr. McFethries of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will make the tax upon personal property a State tax instead of a local

tax.

tax, and of providing for the distribution of the proceeds of such tax among the cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Division of poll taxes.

Offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing that all taxes for State, county, town or city purposes be assessed upon polls and estates, and that the amount of the collective poll taxes not exceeding two dollars for each poll, be divided between these three classes of taxes in proportion to their several amounts.

Taxation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade.

Offered by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of extending for a further period of two or more years the provisions of section 10 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade, — said provisions having been already twice extended, namely: by chapter 373 of the Acts of 1887, and chapter 286 of the Acts of 1889, each entitled: An Act extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade.

Towns, — jurisdiction over county ways.

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of a law giving to towns having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants the same jurisdiction over the county ways within the town limits as that now exercised by county commissioners.

Id.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of a law giving towns the same jurisdiction over the county ways within the town limits as that now exercised by county commissioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Badges of fraternal organizations.

Offered by Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of a law to prevent persons from using or wearing the badges or buttons of fraternal organizations who are not entitled to wear such badges or buttons.

Conveyance of real estate.

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation which will enable persons to

convey real estate although disseized, and which will enable the grantee to recover seizin and possession of real estate by an action in his own name if he can prove title thereto.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending sections 9 and 10, chapter 205 of the Public Statutes, relating to the giving and accepting of bribes by state officials, and for such other legislation as will provide that a request for any payment, gratuity or consideration by any of the officials mentioned in said chapter, or by anyone in their behalf and with their consent, shall be punished in the same manner that the offer or acceptance of such gratuity or consideration would be. And as to further providing that said sections shall apply to any gift, gratuity or consideration offered, asked for, or given for work or service in connection with any matter coming before them in their official capacity. Also as to providing by law for the better prosecution and easier conviction of those who are guilty of such offences against public justice.

Bribery of State officials.

Offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1890, being an Act to regulate the incorporation of clubs, by striking out the words “ hereafter incorporated,” in the second line thereof.

Incorporation of clubs.

Offered by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation limiting the liability of cities and towns for defects in highways occasioned by snow or ice, and shortening in such cases the time within which notice of injury must be given.

Liability of cities and towns for defects in highways.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to enlarge the jurisdiction in equity of the superior court.

Superior court, — jurisdiction in equity.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation with relation to the auditing and examination of probate accounts and the appointment of some public officer or officers for such purposes.

Auditing of probate accounts.

Petitions for
administration
upon estates of
deceased
persons.

Offered by Mr. Barrett of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of requiring by law, in petitions for administration upon estates of deceased persons, an affidavit by the petitioner, that he either knows, of his own knowledge, or believes, after due and honest inquiry, that the statements made in the petition are true, and that the same contains the names of all the heirs-at-law and next of kin of the deceased, together with their residence and relationship to the same.

Distribution
and descent of
property.

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of altering, revising and codifying the laws relating to the distribution and descent of real and personal estate and the proceedings relative thereto, so that real and personal estate shall be administered and descend in substantially the same manner.

Probate courts,
—equity juris-
diction in ad-
ministration of
estates of de-
ceased persons.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation which shall give jurisdiction in equity to the probate courts in all matters relating to the administration of estates of deceased persons.

Wills.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of enacting legislation concerning the implied revocation of wills and the lapse of devises and legacies so as to prevent the revocation or lapse in certain cases.

Id.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation concerning contingent remainders in wills and other instruments so that they shall not be destroyed by determination of the particular estate and shall be subject to the rule against perpetuities.

Papers from the Senate.

State Normal
school building
at Salem.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the proper heating and ventilation of the State Normal School building at Salem.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations by caucus, or by nomination papers, so as to more clearly define the caucus at which such nominations may be made and to increase the number of signatures of voters required on such papers.

Caucus nominations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations in electoral districts and divisions, by providing for the nomination, by caucus, of candidates for city offices.

Nomination of candidates for city offices.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of such legislation as shall enable such fraternal beneficiary organizations as may, by their by-laws, provide therefor, to maintain, in accordance with existing laws, a reserve fund which shall not be less than twenty per cent. of all receipts from assessments during the whole period of the term of the benefit certificate, so as to equalize, as near as may be, such assessments during the entire term of such benefit certificate.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations, — benefit certificates.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of providing that no building shall be used or occupied for a livery stable in a city, without a license therefor from the board of health of said city; and, if such building is within 200 feet of a church or meeting house, used for the public worship of God, the consent in writing of the society or parish, worshipping in such church or meeting house, must first be obtained.

Licensing of livery stables.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill: —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of abolishing the existing Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners of the Commonwealth, and to provide for the appointment of a Board of Gas and Electric Light Control, to consist of one competent gas engineer, one competent electric light engineer and one attorney-at-law, said board of control to have the same powers and duties as the present Board of Gas and Elec-

Abolishment of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

tric Light Commissioners, with authority to call in the assistance of gas and electric light experts at any time; also to provide for their appointment and term of service.

Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

A Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Intoxicating
liquors.

A Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors to be drunk on the premises except to persons who are partaking of food, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House Order:—

Returns of
foreign corpo-
rations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of compelling all foreign corporations other than railroads, doing business in Massachusetts, to make some or all of the annual returns to the proper departments in this Commonwealth now required of domestic corporations.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

Boundary line
between the
cities of Boston
and Somerville.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to change and define the boundary line between the cities of Boston and Somerville. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petition of Almon T. Mowry and others for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants for the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

City of Boston,
— school ship.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, that such action be taken by the State as may be necessary to secure from the United States government the grant of a United States vessel, for the establishment, at Boston, of a school for instruction in navigation, seamanship and matters pertaining thereto. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Milford Mutual
Relief Associa-
tion.

Petition of the directors of the Milford Mutual Relief Association that the name thereof be changed to the Milford Mutual Life Insurance Association. To the committee on Insurance.

Petition (taken from the files of last year) of Horace Draper for compensation for the loss of a horse killed at the State camp ground at Framingham in October, 1886. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Horace Draper.

Petition of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston District, in the city of Boston, that their salaries may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Boston, city of,—salary of constables at the South Boston Municipal Court.

Petition of the city of Lynn that it be authorized to borrow \$150,000 to be used for the account of water construction. To the committee on Water Supply.

Lynn, city of,—water construction.

The House petition of the Everett Congregational Society, that its acts and doings may be ratified and confirmed, referred by the House to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies and sent up for concurrence in the reference, came down with the endorsement: "Referred in non-concurrence to the joint committee on the Judiciary," in which reference the House non-concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Everett Congregational Society.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to establish the name of the Congregational Unitarian Society of Bernardston, and for other purposes.

Congregational Unitarian Society in Bernardston.

By Mr. Weston of Hingham, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Duxbury to fund its debt and issue bonds therefor.

Town of Duxbury.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, the second annual report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Drainage and sent up for concurrence.

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.

*Reconsideration.***Alewives in
Herring River.**

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday, referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence, the petition of David D. Nye and others, selectmen of Bourne, for further legislation respecting the taking of alewives in Herring River in the town of Bourne or its tributaries or the ponds in which said fish cast their spawn. The motion prevailed. The Speaker appointed Mr. Charles a committee to wait upon the Senate and request the return of the petition. Mr. Charles was, at his request, excused from serving as the committee, and Mr. Ensign of Watertown was appointed in his place. Mr. Ensign subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him.

*Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.***Bills enacted.**

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ;
Making an appropriation for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund ;

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature ;

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year ;

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund ;

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ; and

Making an appropriation for the maintenance of the government for the present year ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve to confirm the acts of William V. Thompson as a justice of the peace (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Library, no legislation necessary, on the report of the librarian of the State Library for the year ending Sept. 30, 1890, and the eleventh annual supplement to the general catalogue, was accepted, in concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills :

To change the name of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School ;

To authorize the Globe Yarn Mills to increase its capital stock ;

Relating to the unlawful issuing of certificates of divorce ;

In addition to an act to incorporate the Boston Provident Association ; and

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses for the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to change the name of the Trustees of the Memorial Hospital in Worcester was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Monk of Brockton, at five minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 4, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

State Pension
Agent.

The third annual report of the State Pension Agent was received and was laid on the table.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Oleomargarine.

Petition, presented by Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, of the State Board of Agriculture for a law for the protection of the dairy interests and to punish fraudulent sales of oleomargarine. To the committee on Agriculture.

George E.
Elliott and
others, —
savings bank.

Petition, presented by Mr. Gale of Haverhill, of George E. Elliott and others for the establishment of a savings bank. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Boston,
— money bills
to originate
with the com-
mon council.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, of the President of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation to require all money bills of the city of Boston to originate in the common council.

City of Boston,
— concurrent
authority to the
common council
with the board
of aldermen.

Petition, presented by the same gentlemen, of the president of the common council of the city of Boston, that the council may be given concurrent authority with the board of aldermen in all matters.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendments, —
division of
towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of the mayor and members of the city council of Newburyport; by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, of the selectmen of Grafton and others; and by Mr. Shaw of Windsor, of the selectmen of Lanesborough and others, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Presho of Boston, of C. E. Watkins and others, for a general law for the incorporation of universities, colleges, and literary and scientific institutions. To the committee on Education.

General law for the incorporation of universities, colleges and literary and scientific institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Reid of Reading, of William Barrows and others, that the time from September 1st to January 1st may be fixed as the open season for partridge and woodcock, and that the time from October 15th to January 1st may be fixed as the open season for quail.

Partridge, woodcock and quail.

Petition, presented by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of Alexander T. Newcomb and others, for an act fixing the time from June 1 to August 15 as the close season for shore and marsh birds in Barnstable county.

Barnstable County,—close season for shore and marsh birds.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of Sparron Higgins and others, for an act prohibiting the taking of blue-fish and bass by gill-nets or seines in the inland waters of the town of Orleans.

Use of nets in the inland waters of the town of Orleans.

Petition, presented by Mr. McFarland of Wales, of E. L. Needham and others, for the repeal of the provisions of section 2, chapter 249, Acts of 1890, relative to the penalty for transporting woodcock, quail or ruffed grouse out of the Commonwealth or having them in possession with intent to transport them.

Woodcock, quail and ruffed grouse.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Thomas of Brockton, of ^{Id.} Joseph E. Carr and others, and Corydon Wilbar and others; and by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of John A. Walsh and others,—severally, that the time from October 1st to January 1st may be fixed as the open season for woodcock, ruffed grouse and quail.

Petition, presented by Mr. Kirby of Westport, of John W. Gifford and others for the repeal of chapter 193 of the Acts of 1887, relating to the protection of fisheries in the town of Westport.

Town of Westport,—fisheries

Petition, presented by Mr. Meade of Salem, of Samuel C. Hunt and others for the regulation of fishing in the waters of Forest River, Salem Harbor, and the adjacent towns.

Forest River, Salem Harbor,—fisheries.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of Edward S. Huntington and others; and by Mr. Presho of Boston, of E. Norris and others,—severally, for a law enabling cities and towns to manufacture gas and electricity.

Manufacture of gas and electricity by cities and towns.

City of Boston,
— gas and
electric light
plant.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, of the president of the common council of the city of Boston, that said city be given authority to construct and maintain its own gas and electric light plant.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

Mary Ann
Willard.

Petition, presented by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of the selectmen of Orange, that Mary Ann Willard be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

City of Boston,
— exemption
from the civil
service acts of
certain officers.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston, for the exemption from the civil service acts of superior officers who need confirmation by the mayor or aldermen.

Compensation
of supervisors
of elections in
Boston.

Petition, presented by Mr. Presho of Boston, of James M. Olmstead and Mathew Keany, that compensation be granted the supervisors of elections for their services in Boston on the day of the State election in 1889.

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Somerville.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of Isaac Story, that the salary of the standing justice of the police court of Somerville may be increased.

Salary of the
clerk of the
district court of
East Norfolk.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hemenway of Canton, of J. P. S. Churchill and others, that the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk may be increased to \$1,000.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

City of Chelsea,
— grade cross-
ings.

Petition, presented by Mr. Plummer of Chelsea, of Albert D. Bosson, mayor of the city of Chelsea, for the abolition of grade crossings in that city. To the committee on Railroads.

Taxation of per-
sonal property.

Petition, presented by Mr. Greene of North Andover, of James C. Poor and others, for the equitable assessment of all property, so that personal property may bear the equal proportion of the support and maintenance of government.

Taxation of ves-
sels engaged in
the foreign
carrying trade.

Petition, presented by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, of William C. Besse and others; and by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of P. H. Blumpey and others, — severally, for an extension of the provisions of section 10 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade.

Single tax on
land.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Hevey of Woburn, of Samuel W. Mendum and others; and by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of John McKenna and others, and of Cathern McKenna and others, — severally, for the collection of all taxes by a single tax upon land.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of J. F. Foster and others, for the repeal of clause 7, section 5, chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, exempting houses of religious worship from taxation, and all special acts of like purport. Taxation of houses of religious worship.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Hevey of Woburn, of the Woburn Equal Suffrage League; by Mr. Appleton of Peabody, of the Peabody Woman's Suffrage League; and by Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, of the Foxborough Suffrage League, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. Woman suffrage.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Moore of Waltham, of the mayor of Waltham for an additional water supply for said city, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of joint rule 9, and that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Moore of Waltham, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence. City of Waltham, — water supply.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of John M. Berry, for the adoption of a system of equal representation for the election of senators and representatives; also for a permissive bill allowing any town to elect its selectmen and any city its aldermen and councilmen by a system of equal representation, came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, without prejudice, as the petition is in improper form. The report was read and accepted. John M. Berry, — equal representation of the people in elections.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending Article XXI Constitutional amendment, —

census of legal voters.

of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth in the part reading "And in each city said enumeration shall specify the number of such legal voters aforesaid, residing in each ward of such city," by striking out the last seven words therein and substituting the words "in such detail as the Legislature shall prescribe."

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Election of assessors, — information of the state of the polls.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 123 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so that election officers shall give no information either written or oral of the state of the polls.

Offered by Mr. Wier of Lowell, —

Voting lists.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section twenty-five of chapter four hundred and twenty-three of the Acts of eighteen hundred and ninety, relating to elections, that the compilation of the street lists therein provided for shall be so arranged as to show the age and occupation of all residents assessed and also their residences and voting precincts on the first day of May of the preceding year.

Offered by Mr. Burke of Quincy, —

Notice of omission of names from voting lists.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the duties of registrars of voters, so that said act shall further provide for giving notice of the omission of names from the register of voters by inserting a provision substantially as follows, namely: "When boards of registrars of voters for the current year omit to include in such list the name of any person who was included in the list of voters for such city or town for the preceding year for any other reason than the death or removal from the city or town of such person, they shall send a written or printed notice to such person at his last-known address notifying him of such omission."

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Fraternal beneficiary corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 341, Acts of 1890, relating to fraternal beneficiary corporations, so that no corporation included in the provisions of said act not transacting at the date of the passage of said act the business therein described, shall be permitted to add the same to its other business.

Offered by Mr. Presho of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider and report what reports, if any, should be added to the series of public documents provided for in section 7 of chapter 440 of the Acts of 1889, relating to the printing and distributing of public documents.

Printing and distributing of public documents.

Offered by Mr. Newell of Rowe, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the spread of malignant contagious diseases by criminals and paupers either by continuing their detention in public, penal or charitable institutions until cured, or by such other method as may seem advisable.

Contagious diseases in penal or public charitable institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Public Statutes, relating to associations for charitable, educational and other purposes, so as to provide that associations subject to its provisions may prescribe the mode of electing their officers and their term of office; also the expediency of legalizing the proceedings of any association or society formed under said chapter which has heretofore failed to conform to its requirements.

Charitable and educational associations.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of further legislation for the protection of dairy products from fraudulent imitations; and to establish a State Dairy Commission.

Dairy products, — State Dairy Commission.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on Education.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending sections 4, 7 and 8 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the Board of Registration in Pharmacy, so that the duties of said board, established under said act, may be more clearly defined; and of providing means and methods for the enforcement of said act.

Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Collection of
taxes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the collection of taxes, so as to fix a limit to the amount for which estates may be sold for the payment of taxes, and so as to provide that the collector of taxes may sell the claim for taxes either at public or private sale, and subrogate the purchaser to all the rights of the city or town or of the tax collector in the premises.

The following House Order : —

Commissioner
of Foreign Mort-
gage Corpo-
rations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, as defined by chapter 427 of the Acts of 1889, so as to give him general supervision of other foreign corporations doing business in this State, and especially of those selling stocks and bonds and securities other than mortgages, —

Adopted, in concurrence, by the Senate with certain amendments, in which the House non-concurred, came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments. The House insisted on its non-concurrence, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence : —

Abolition of
the Board of
Gas and Electric
Light Com-
missioners.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of abolishing the existing Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners of the Commonwealth, and to provide for the appointment of a Board of Gas and Electric Light Control, to consist of one competent gas engineer, one competent electric light engineer and one attorney-at-law, said board of control to have the same powers and duties as the present Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, with authority to call in the assistance of gas and electric light experts at any time ; also to provide for their appointment and term of service.

Railroad passes
for members of
the General
Court.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to compelling railroad companies to issue free passes to members of the General Court, and the order relating to the same subject, that, as the constitutionality of the proposed legislation is in doubt, they may be allowed until Monday next in

which to further consider the subject matter and the constitutionality of the proposed legislation (Messrs. Dewey of Boston, Gould of Chelsea and Charles of Boston, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

A Bill to provide clerical assistance for the State Library (being a bill introduced on leave in the Senate); and a

Clerical assistance for the State Library.

Resolve providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (reported on an order);

Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence: —

Petition of the city of Northampton for authority to issue sewer scrip to the amount of \$150,000 in excess of that now authorized. To the committee on Drainage.

City of Northampton, — sewer scrip.

Petition of William O. Wakefield and others that the age for compulsory school attendance in this State may be raised; and that a system of industrial education be established in the larger cities and towns for graduates of grammar school courses.

Compulsory school attendance.

Petition of John G. Mudge and others for the incorporation of the Petersham Memorial Library.

Petersham Memorial Library.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition of G. A. R. Horton and others for the better protection of lobsters. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Lobsters.

Petition of a committee of the town of Peabody that said town be authorized to manufacture and sell electric light. To the committee on Manufactures.

Town of Peabody, — electric light.

Petition of the trustees of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes for State aid. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

Petition of the official stenographers of the superior court for an increase of compensation and an allowance for travelling expenses. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the official stenographers of the superior court.

South Ux-
bridge, — new
railroad station.

Petition of Arthur Wheelock that the "Ironstone" station on the New York and New England Railroad be discontinued and a new station at South Uxbridge established. To the committee on Railroads.

Town of Mid-
dleborough, —
fire district.

Petition of Edward S. Hathaway and others for the extension of the limits of the fire district in the town of Middleborough. To the committee on Towns.

Reports of Committees.

Gloucester Safe
Deposit and
Trust Com-
pany.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Gloucester Safe Deposit and Trust Company in the city of Gloucester.

Bridge over
tide water in
the town of
Barnstable.

By Mr. Tibbetts of Lynn, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to authorize Frederick W. Dickinson and others to build a bridge over tide water at Osterville, in the town of Barnstable.

Consolidation
of the Fitchburg
and Monadnock
Railroad Com-
panies.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the consolidation of the Fitchburg and Monadnock Railroad Companies.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Widow of
Joshua Phippen.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, that the Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) in favor of the widow of the late Joshua Phippen ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

George Hayden.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of George Hayden.

Mary Briggs.

By Mr. Herrod of Brockton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Mary Briggs.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for the printing of five hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Arbitration.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motions of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, the following order was taken from the files of last year and was adopted : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation concerning more complete indexes in the registries of deeds. Indexes in the registries of deeds.

Message from the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, returning to the House of Representatives, at its request, the petition of David D. Nye and others, selectmen of Bourne, for further legislation respecting the taking of alewives in Herring River in the town of Bourne or its tributaries, or the ponds in which said fish cast their spawn. On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Alewives in Herring River.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Duxbury to fund its debt and issue bonds therefor ; Orders of the day.

To establish the name of the Congregational Unitarian Society of Bernardston, and for other purposes ;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ; and

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To change the name of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School of Springfield (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the Globe Yarn Mills of Fall River to increase its capital stock (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relating to the unlawful issuing of certificates of divorce ;

In addition to an act to incorporate the Boston Provident Association ; and

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Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses for the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, at forty-one minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 5, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Deposits in Savings Banks.

A communication was received from the Commissioners of Savings Banks in response to an order adopted by the House of Representatives on Friday, January 30, instructing said board to report at once as to whether there has been any falling off in savings bank deposits in this State since Oct. 31, 1890, as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year. The communication was read, and, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Savings Bank
Commissioners,
— savings bank
deposits.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Petition, presented by Mr. Clough of Worcester, of Francis A. Harrington, mayor of Worcester, that the city be authorized to refund its indebtedness and issue bonds, notes and scrip therefor.

City of Worcester.

Petition, presented by Mr. Moore of Waltham, of the mayor of Waltham that the city may be allowed to issue bonds to refund its water debt.

City of Waltham,— water
bonds.

Petition, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of the mayor of the city of Boston, for the appointment of a commission to consider what improvements are needed in the Charles River basin, parks, bridges, etc.

City of Boston,
— improvements in Charles
River basin,
parks and
bridges.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of the mayor of the city of Boston, on request of the common council of the city of Boston, that the city may be authorized to borrow all the money for any current financial year before April 1st of that year.

City of Boston,
— borrowing
money.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of the mayor of the city of Boston, for an act to authorize the

City of Boston,
— East Boston
ferries.

city to take land, wharves, docks, etc., to improve the entrance to the East Boston ferries.

City of Boston,
— hours of labor
of employees in
the fire depart-
ment.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of Isaac A. Williams and others and several petitions for the same object, that twelve hours may be made the limit of a day's work for all employees in the fire department in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— streets.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wilson of Boston, of William Power Wilson, relative to the laying out of streets in the city of Boston, and authorizing the street commissioners or a special board to lay out on a comprehensive plan the streets demanded by the growth of the city.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

City of Wal-
tham, — sewer
betterments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hall of Waltham, of the mayor of Waltham, that the method of assessing sewerage betterments and the times of payment of the same may be changed in that city. To the committee on Drainage.

West Spring-
field, — protec-
tion from the
encroachments
of the Connecti-
cut River.

Petition, presented by Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, of the selectmen of West Springfield for a resolve for the protection of the town of West Springfield against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Live Stock In-
surance
Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of Thomas H. McDonnell and others for a charter for a live stock insurance company. To the committee on Insurance.

West End Street
Railway
Company, — in-
vestigation of
the evidence and
witnesses con-
nected with the
investigation
last year.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of Charles Cowley and others, for the appointment of a joint special committee to investigate the methods of the lobby and the methods of the West End Street Railway Company and the evidence and witnesses connected with the investigation last year. To the joint committee on Rules.

Boston Society
of Natural
History.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hemenway of Canton, of the Boston Society of Natural History, for leave to hold additional real and personal estate.

New England
Society for the
Suppression of
Vice.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ellis of Boston, of the New England Society for the Suppression of Vice, that its name may be changed to the New England Watch and Ward Society.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Worcester of Townsend, of the selectmen of Ayer for the payment of \$125 due to said town for armory rent. Town of Ayer,
— armory rent.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wilson of Boston, of William Power Wilson, that William Emerson may be made eligible to receive State aid. William Emerson.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, of John L. Whiting & Sons and others, that the number of persons in penal institutions employed to make brushes may be limited to one-twentieth of the whole number of persons so employed in the State. To the committee on Prisons. Employment of
persons in penal
institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mott of Taunton, of Samuel Abbott for an annual appropriation of ten thousand dollars for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petition, presented by Mr. Emery of Taunton, of L. Edwin Dudley and others for a law to prevent the manufacture or sale of confectionery containing alcohol. Manufacture
and sale of con-
fectionery con-
taining alcohol.

Petition, presented by Mr. Moore of Waltham, of the mayor of Waltham for authority to increase the board of health from three to five members. City of Wal-
tham, — board
of health.

Petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of the Massachusetts Homœopathic Medical Society for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic. Massachusetts
Homœopathic
Medical Society.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hemenway of Canton, of George Stedman, that the salary of the associate medical examiner for Suffolk County may be increased. To the committee on Public Service. Salary of As-
sociate Medical
Examiner for
Suffolk County.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of Henry Davis and 42 others for legislation requiring railroad companies to keep their grade crossings covered with snow so as to be passable for sleighs during the period of sleighing, and requiring cities and towns to keep their highways in good condition for sleighing. Railroad
companies, —
grade crossings.

Petition, presented by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, of the selectmen of Truro for aid from the State to help repair the damage done by recent storms to the highways in their town. Town of Truro,
— State aid.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Judd of South Hadley, of H. P. Street and 79 others of South Hadley Falls, and of James Bridge between
Holyoke and
Williamansett.

Gaylord and 51 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of William Whiting in regard to the Connecticut River bridge between Holyoke and Willimansett.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Single tax on land.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rady of Cambridge, of B. Wennerblad and others, and several petitions for the same object, for the collection of all taxes by a single tax upon land.

Taxation of incomes.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of H. W. K. Eastman of Lawrence that a graduated income tax be levied upon all persons having an income of more than \$2,000 a year.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Alfred A. Glasier and others, — freight or electric railroad in Fall River.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of Alfred A. Glasier and others to be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a freight railroad or electric road in Fall River, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioners had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Bullock of Fall River the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

New York and Massachusetts Railway Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, of the New York and Massachusetts Railway Company for an extension of time within which it may build its road in this Commonwealth, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Exemption of wages from the trustee process.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hinds of Webster, of John N. Robertson and others that the exemption of wages from trustee process on a claim for necessities may be removed.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, of James B. Wiggin and others that attachments shall not be made upon real estate until after judgment. Attachments upon real estate.

Petition, presented by Mr. Dewey of Boston, of H. M. Hyams and others that cigars and tobacco may be allowed to be sold on the Lord's day. Lord's day, — sale of cigars and tobacco.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Petition, presented by Mr. Turner of Malden, of Erastus B. Badger, administrator, of Boston, for an appropriation to pay the amount due to William Washburn, for his services to the Commonwealth, to his estate. William Washburn.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mooney of Boston, of Joanna Tucker, next of kin of John Lovett, that she may be allowed the sum of \$93.69 which was standing to the credit of John Lovett on the books of the State Hospital at Tewksbury at the time of his decease as an inmate of that institution. Joanna Tucker, — John Lovett.

Severally to the committee on Finance.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of making all persons who have been insolvent or bankrupt ineligible as trustees of savings banks or directors of trust companies. Insolvents or bankrupts as trustees of savings banks.

Offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the charter of the city of Boston so as (1) to lengthen the term of office of the mayor, and to prohibit the successive re-election of the same person to that office. (2) To give to the mayor the power of appointment of officers and boards in charge of departments, without confirmation of the board of aldermen. (3) To consolidate or abolish existing boards, officers and departments, and to create new officers, departments or bureaus, and to change the number, terms of office and salaries of executive officers and boards, and the method of their removal. (4) To create a board composed of executive or elective officials, or of both, to receive and consider the annual estimates and to have the power now exercised by the city council, of making and City of Boston, — city charter.

apportioning the annual and all other appropriations, of authorizing loans and of making transfers. (5) To abolish the board of street commissioners or to transfer their powers and duties to a board differently constituted. (6) To regulate the opening of streets for all purposes, and the method of construction of new streets, and to authorize or require that the first cost of construction of new streets, sewers and other local improvements shall be charged to and paid by the persons and property benefited. (7) To change the financial or fiscal year so that it shall coincide exactly or more nearly with the municipal year. (8) To provide for the election of the city auditor by the qualified voters of the city. (9) To provide a process by impeachment or otherwise for suspending or removing from office all municipal officers for malfeasance or other sufficient cause.

Offered by Mr. Chester of Newton, —

Fire inquests.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 451 of the Acts of 1889, relating to fire inquests, so as to vest the powers and duties of boards of fire engineers under that act, in the head of the fire department in cities where there is no board of fire engineers.

Offered by Mr. Presho of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— opening of
highways.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to do all opening of highways and to do the work therein, and charge the expense thereof upon the persons or corporations for whom the work is done.

Offered by Mr. Lanigan of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— lighting of
streets, etc.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to make contracts, for twenty years or less, for lighting its streets, public places and parks, and to grant exclusive rights for the use of its streets as a consideration of such contracts.

Offered by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— assessment
of taxes.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to determine the classes of property on which taxes for municipal expenses shall be assessed.

Offered by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— tax limit.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of abolishing the tax limit of the city of Boston.

Offered by Mr. Turner of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 365 of the Acts of 1890, relating to watering streets in cities, so as to provide that the duty of making assessments may be imposed by ordinance of the city, either upon the board of aldermen, the board of street commissioners or the board of public works.

Watering of streets in cities.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending chapter 103 of the Acts of 1884, relating to text-books and school supplies, so that such text-books and supplies shall be furnished and loaned by the Commonwealth instead of by towns, as now provided.

Free text-books and school supplies in towns.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing for supervisors of elections at State and municipal elections, and their compensation.

Supervisors of elections.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation as to adopting some system of voting whereby a ballot can be cast or marked once for the regular ticket of any party, without the requirement that a cross shall be placed against the name of each candidate on the ballot.

Elections, — one mark to designate the choice of all the candidates of a party.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of forbidding or regulating the presence of markers or checkers, so called, at or within a certain distance from the polling places.

Elections, — "markers" or "checkers" at the polls.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing further for the filling of vacancies upon the official ballot, and of such changes in the time and manner of preparing and filing nomination papers and certificates of nomination, or of declination, as may promote the efficiency of the law.

Changes in the official ballots.

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so as to provide that where there are legally constituted districts within towns or

Elections, — lists of voters.

cities, the lists of qualified voters shall be made by districts separately; and so as further to provide that registrars of voters shall hold meetings upon written petition of not less than one of every twenty-five legal voters in the district, town or precinct wherein such petitioners reside.

Offered by Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, —

Elections, —
counting of
votes.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing for a uniform system of counting the votes cast in elections, so as to insure accuracy in the official count, and to require the same system or method to be used at every polling place in the Commonwealth.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Sample copies
of official
ballots.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting the printing and distribution of sample copies of official ballots of the same color as required by law for official ballots furnished for elections.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing for the printing and distributing, at the public expense, of sample copies of official ballots furnished for elections.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Assistance in
marking ballots
at elections.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing that all voters asking assistance in marking their ballots shall be assisted by the deputy inspectors, who shall act as instructors to voters in such cases.

Offered by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, —

Taking of smolt
in Nantucket
County.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of legislation regarding the taking of smelt in the waters of Nantucket County.

Offered by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, —

Removal of pen-
alty for placing
sawdust in
Weweantit
River.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 141 of the Acts of 1877, relative to placing sawdust, dye-stuffs and other foreign substances in Weweantit River and its tributaries, so as to remove the prohibition and penalty for placing sawdust in said river and its tributaries, or of wholly repealing said section.

Offered by Mr. McNamara of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to fill in flats in the proposed reserved channel in lands of the Commonwealth in South Boston from the end thereof to the proposed L Street bridge, or to make contracts with the owners of rights in said reserved channel to so fill in.

City of Boston,
—South Boston
Flats.

Offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the transfer of land by registration of title and the simplification of title to real property thereby.

Registration of
land titles.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for permanent court auditors for the supreme, superior and probate courts, to be appointed by such courts or otherwise; and of establishing rules for and of giving additional powers to such auditors in the conduct of causes referred to them.

Auditors for the
supreme,
superior and
probate courts.

Offered by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing for the assessment of taxes on legacies and successions.

Taxation of
legacies and
successions.

Offered by Mr. Emery of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of further legislation relating to methods of dealing with intoxicated and disorderly persons, and persons having the habit of using intoxicating liquors to excess.

Disorderly and
intoxicated
persons.

Offered by Mr. Monk of Brockton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the sale or distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquor are not granted.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Offered by Mr. Buchholz of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of a law relative to the transfer of liquor licenses upon the death of the licensee, and also to provide for the repayment to the heirs of the licensee of a certain portion of the license fee, in case of the death of the licensee before the expiration of the license.

Intoxicating
liquors, — trans-
fer of licenses.

Offered by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, —

Intoxicating
liquors, —
minors loitering
about saloons.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of enacting a law prohibiting persons who are minors from loitering upon premises where intoxicating liquors are sold, under penalties upon the persons who thus loiter and upon the owners of premises who permit such loitering.

Offered by Mr. Chance of Boston, —

City of Boston,
intoxicating
liquors, —
brewers and
wholesalers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that brewers and wholesale dealers in intoxicating liquors shall not be included within the provisions of section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places to be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston.

Offered by Mr. Hunting of East Bridgewater, —

Intoxicating
liquors, —
licenses of the
fourth class.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of increasing the fees for licenses of the fourth class to sell intoxicating liquor.

Offered by Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, —

District police,
— freight
elevators.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing that the district police shall have the same power and authority over the construction and operation of freight elevators that they now have over passenger elevators.

Offered by Mr. Lane of Springfield, —

Commissioner
of Foreign
Corporations, —
use of names by
certain foreign
corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 329 of the Acts of 1890, concerning the use of names by certain foreign corporations, so that it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations to enforce said law.

Offered by Mr. Hartshorn of Norwood, —

Corporations
incorporated
under the gen-
eral law.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapters 105 and 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to the powers and duties of corporations and their organization under general law, — (1) so as to enable incorporators in certain cases to organize at once, without a delay of seven days for notifying the first meeting; (2) so as to permit the par value of shares to be fixed at less than one hundred dollars; (3) so as to enable a corporation to transact business under certain restrictions before its capital is paid in, and so as to

limit the liability of a stockholder to the amount remaining unpaid on account of shares taken by him, when business is transacted before the capital is wholly paid in.

Offered by Mr. Turner of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 374 of the Acts of 1889, being an Act to provide for the appointment of a State Military and Naval Historian, as to provide the sum of \$1,500 for the necessary expenses of said historian. State Military and Naval Historian.

Offered by Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of granting State aid to George Golbert of 25 Green Street, Charlestown, Mass., father of William C. Golbert, formerly of Company I, Thirty-second Regiment, Mass. Vols., who was wounded in the battle of the Wilderness May 12, 1864, and died of said wounds July 16, 1864, at his home in Charlestown, Mass. George Golbert.

Offered by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of repealing section 1 of chapter 396 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled an Act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions, so far as it provides for a salary of two thousand dollars per year to the State pension agent. And of providing that after the pensions and other war claims have been allowed and all the money collected thereon has been paid to the claimants, the Commonwealth shall pay to said State pension agent, in full for all his services, for each pension or other claim thus allowed and paid, the sum of money which is now paid, under the laws of the United States, to attorneys of record for similar service in similar cases. And of providing that said State pension agent and all his assistants who occupy his office shall give all the aid, advice and personal assistance that they may be able to render to all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who may make application therefor to said State pension agent or to any of his official assistants. State Pension Agent.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing the appointment of Veterinarians in the militia.

veterinarians in the volunteer militia of this Commonwealth, as is the case in foreign armies, with suitable rank and pay.

Offered by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, —

Cities and towns, — State aid.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 301 of the Acts of 1889, relating to State aid, so as to provide that when towns and cities are reimbursed for sums paid out for State aid, they shall also be allowed a certain percentage on amounts so expended for expenses attending the payment of State aid, said percentage to be allowed in the annual settlement with cities and towns in December, 1891, and thereafter.

Offered by Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, —

Convict labor.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of such legislation as will prevent persons convicted of crime, and serving out a sentence in any place of confinement, from being employed in any mechanical or skilled labor outside of the prison enclosure or yard.

Offered by Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, —

Use of buildings for offensive trades.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending that part of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to offensive trades, so as to require any one who desires to occupy or use any building or premises for carrying on any of such trades, to first obtain permission from the city council, instead of the board of aldermen, of the city in which the building or premises are situated, and to provide for an appeal to the State Board of Health.

Offered by Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, —

Notice of contagious diseases.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preservation of the public health, so as to provide in what manner and form, and at what time, and by whom, and to what authorities, notice shall be given of any disease which is dangerous to the public health.

Offered by Mr. McFethries of Springfield, —

Trip-tickets on railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation to make single trip-tickets the same price as coupon tickets, namely, not more than two cents per mile on all passenger and express trains, for

long or short distance, on all railroads in this Commonwealth which pay an annual dividend of eight per cent. or more.

Offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of abolishing the corporation tax on corporations exercising municipal privileges, and so taxing such corporations that the towns and cities in which such municipal privileges are exercised shall receive the entire tax.

Taxation of corporations exercising municipal privileges.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of exempting municipal bonds from taxation.

Exempting municipal bonds from taxation.

Offered by Mr J. Otis Fallon of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of taxing mercantile agencies and especially foreign agencies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Taxation of mercantile agencies.

Offered by Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing that, for the purposes of taxation or voting, or being voted for, for any office under the constitution or laws of this Commonwealth, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant on the first day of May, of that city or town in which he dwelt with the usual members of his family during the first three weeks of February next preceding.

Legal residence of voters.

Offered by Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of codifying the laws relating to the collection of taxes.

Codification of the tax laws.

Offered by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending sections 41 and 73 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes, so that they may be more uniformly and justly enforced in all parts of the Commonwealth.

Assessment.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Golding of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the widow or next of kin of persons, not employees, injured and

Actions of cost to be brought by widow or next friend in certain cases.

dying instantaneously by reason of the carelessness or negligence of third persons, to recover damages for such injuries.

Discharge of
mechanics' liens.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 45 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, relating to the discharge of mechanics' liens, by inserting after the words "the creditor," in the second line, the words "or his attorney," so that such liens, when fully paid, may be discharged by the creditor or his attorney.

Liens upon real
estate.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of limiting the time for which attachments on real estate shall be a lien thereon, and of providing for the dissolution of existing attachments thereon.

Commissioners
to consolidate
and arrange the
General
Statutes.

Offered by Mr. Barrett of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the passage of an act or resolve providing for the appointment of commissioners to consolidate and arrange all the general statutes of the Commonwealth, specifying the duties of such commissioners and providing for their compensation.

Tenancies at
will.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 121 of the Public Statutes, relative to terminating tenancies at will, by inserting between the second and third clauses and after the word "payment," in the fifth line, the following clause: — "Such notices shall determine the tenancy, whether the time fixed therein for quitting is the last day or any other day of a quarter, month, week or other period for which rent is payable;" so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows: — "Section 12. Estates at will may be determined by either party by three months' notice in writing for that purpose given to the other party; and when the rent reserved is payable at periods of less than three months, the time of such notice shall be sufficient, if it is equal to the interval between the days of payment. Such notices shall determine the tenancy whether the time fixed therein for quitting is the last day or any other day of a quarter,

month, week or other period for which rent is payable; and in all cases of neglect or refusal to pay the rent due from a tenant at will fourteen days' notice to quit, given in writing by the landlord to the tenant, shall be sufficient to determine the tenancy."

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making the appointment of probation officers in cities mandatory, and of prohibiting the appointment of police officials as probation officers.

Police officers
as probation
officers.

Offered by Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting a law which shall require all persons having charge of stationary or portable steam engines and boilers to be licensed by some proper board or authority.

Licensing of
persons in
charge of por-
table steam
engines and
boilers.

Offered by Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting a law which will protect seamen from impositions practised upon them by boarding-house keepers and others, who undertake to engage their services in behalf of other persons for the merchant marine, and which will effect such protection by requiring persons who engage seamen for others to be licensed; or by some other method.

Protection of
seamen.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of authorizing the county commissioners in each county except Suffolk to cause to be re-arranged and indexed, at the expense of their several counties, the files and records of the probate courts in their respective counties, under the direction and supervision of the registers of said courts, when in the judgment of said commissioners public convenience demands it; and repealing any statute which may be inconsistent therewith.

Rearrangement
and filing of
files and records
of probate
courts.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as will permit the offering of premiums, purses or stakes, by

Premiums for
the breeding of
domestic
animals.

associations or societies organized for the encouragement of and improvement in breeding of domestic animals.

Permits for use
of streets in
cities and towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns, or some officer or board thereof, to grant permits for the use of streets, and of the parts of bridges used as highways within their limits, for tracks, poles, conduits, wires or other purposes, on such terms and conditions as the city or town, or the officer or board may deem proper, anything in any special or general law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Boston, city of,
— authority
to borrow
money for
public park.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to borrow \$3,500,000 outside of the debt limit; also such amount of money within the debt limit as it may deem proper for the purchase of land and the completion of its system of public parks.

Boston, city of,
— fees for dog
licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the total amount of fees received for dog licenses in the city of Boston shall be paid over to the city of Boston without any deduction whatever therefrom.

Disposition of
dead bodies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending chapter 81 of the Public Statutes, relating to the promotion of anatomical science, in the first section, so as to extend the authority therein granted for surrendering bodies required to be buried at the public expense to the overseers of the poor in cities, as well as in towns; to the commissioner of public institutions in the city of Boston, in place of the mayor and aldermen of said city, and to the trustees and superintendent of the State Farm as well as the State Almshouse; also to consider the expediency of amending said chapter in the fourth section, so as to extend the limit of time within which such a body may be claimed by kindred or friends, from twenty-four hours to three days; also of repealing the third section of said chapter, which requires notice of death to be given to certain authorities, inasmuch as the same notice is more effectually provided for by other statutes.

Election blanks
and instructions
to cities and
towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section

112 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to furnishing blank forms, so as to require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish the requisite blanks for use in the nomination of candidates for State offices; and for the nomination of candidates for town offices, in towns where the ballots are printed and distributed at the public expense, together with such suggestions, directions and instructions as are necessary for the guidance and direction of town officers in the performance of their duties in the conduct of elections.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 118 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to registered voters, so as to require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to include, in the report therein provided for, a concise statement of all matters relating to elections with which he is connected in the performance of his duties, with such suggestions thereon as he may deem advisable.

Registered voters, — report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 87 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, providing for the care of ballot-boxes furnished by the Commonwealth, so as to insure the proper care and repair of the same, and to provide for the adoption and use of improvements thereof.

Ballot-boxes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of making the present Australian ballot system apply, as near as may be practicable, to all caucuses and conventions for the nomination of any candidates for town, city or State office where the same are elected by ballot, or otherwise.

Ballot law made applicable to all caucuses and conventions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of authorizing fraternal beneficiary associations or corporations organized or doing business under, and in accordance with, the provisions of chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, and acts in amendment thereof or supplementary thereto, to pay and distribute to their members all additions and accretions to their emergency funds, in excess of the fine assessments authorized by chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890, in such manner and amount as they may by by-law direct.

Fraternal beneficiary corporations.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
objections to
granting of
licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that when an owner of real estate, within twenty-five feet of premises described in an application for a license to sell intoxicating liquor, has filed an objection to the granting of such license, it shall be final; and the licensing board shall not allow such objection to be withdrawn.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
license fees.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relative to the payment of license fees for the sale of intoxicating liquors, so that three-fourths of all moneys received by the treasurer of a city or town for liquor licenses shall be paid to the treasurer of the county in which such city or town is located.

Damages for
abolition of
grade crossings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, being an Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings, so that the same shall provide for collection of damages, for discontinuance of a way, by the abutters thereon.

Bridges, ex-
penses of build-
ing to be borne
in part by the
State.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation providing that the State indemnify, in part, towns and cities for building bridges largely to accommodate through travel, and especially small towns with expensive bridges, located near State lines, and with small valuations; the amount in each case to be determined by such tribunal as may be thought best, or the enacting of such legislation as will enable such towns and cities to levy and collect toll, with proper restrictions and limitations, from teams and vehicles passing over the same in certain instances.

Regimental
histories.

A Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Town elections,
— printing and
distributing of
ballots.

The House Bill to amend an Act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out, in section 1, lines 6 and 26, respectively, the word "thirty," and inserting in place thereof in each case the word "ten." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Benjamin F. H. Keen and others for legislation to provide for the extermination of woodchucks or ground hogs, and for the payment of a bounty for their destruction. To the committee on Agriculture. Woodchucks.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Newton, that temporary loans created by cities and towns, under the provisions of section 6 of chapter 29 of the Public Statutes, may be made so as to become due and payable in the year succeeding that on which they are made; and also that said city be authorized to make loans, as aforesaid. To the committee on Cities. City of Newton,
— temporary
loan.

Petition of Jared Gould and another for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants for the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petition of the Lafayette Social Athletic Club for authority to build a boat-house in or on the tide waters of Charles River. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Lafayette
Social Athletic
Club.

Petition of Herbert H. Taylor and others for the repeal of all laws governing pawnbrokers and collateral loan companies, and for the establishment of public loan officers by cities and towns. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Pawnbrokers, —
collateral loan
companies.

Petition of Fannie Ross for the renewal of an annuity. Fannie Ross.

Petition of Sarah J. Goss for State aid. Sarah J. Goss.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Henry Colman and others for legislation to provide for the detention and treatment of persons affected with diseases dangerous to the public health, and to prevent the spread of malignant contagious diseases. Contagious
diseases.

Petition of B. V. French and others for the regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and sale of paper, textile fabrics and other articles in the manufacture of which arsenical matter is used. Severally to the committee on Public Health. Manufacture
and sale of silk
and fabrics con-
taining arsenic.

Petition of William T. Harlow that the salary of the assistant clerk of courts for the county of Worcester be increased. To the committee on Public Service. Salary of as-
sistant clerk of
courts for
Worcester
county.

Woman suffrage.

Petition of the Dorchester Suffrage League that women qualified to vote for members of the school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

Town of Orange,—
system of
sewers.

By Mr. Newell of Rowe, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Orange to increase indebtedness beyond its debt limit to construct a system of sewers. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Goddard the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Liability of
officers of cor-
porations.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 60 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes so as to limit the liability of officers of corporations.

Granting of
divorces by
rabbls.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to legislation to regulate the granting of certificates of divorce to persons of the Israelite faith by their rabbis or ministers.

Nantasket
Beach Railroad
Company,
first mortgage
bonds.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Arthur W. Moore for legislation to permit savings banks to invest in the first mortgage bonds of the Nantasket Beach Railroad Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Expenses of
courts to be paid
by counties.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to expenses of courts to be paid by counties.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Consolidation of
the Fitchburg
and Monadnock
Railroads.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, a Bill to authorize the consolidation of the Fitchburg and Monadnock Railroad Companies was discharged from the orders of

the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Railroads.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to change the name of the trustees Bill enacted. of the Memorial Hospital in Worcester (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To authorize Frederick W. Dickinson and others to Orders of the day. build a bridge over tide water at Osterville in the town of Barnstable ; and

To incorporate the Gloucester Safe Deposit and Trust Company in the city of Gloucester ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Joshua Phippen ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Duxbury to fund its debt and issue bonds therefor ;

To establish the name of the Congregational Unitarian Society of Bernardston, and for other purposes ;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ; and

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, at nine minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 6, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Milk.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of C. J. Miles and others of the Holden Farmers' and Mechanics' Club, that the law relating to the test of milk may be so amended that none making or selling pure milk from a healthy cow shall be deemed guilty of selling adulterated milk. To the committee on Agriculture.

City of Newburyport,—safe deposit and trust company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Withington of Newburyport, of George E. Stickney and others for authority to establish a safe deposit and trust company in Newburyport.

Division of the net profits of savings banks.

Petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the Holyoke Savings Bank, Mechanics' Savings Bank, and People's Savings Bank, for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendment in respect to division of net profits of savings banks.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Lowell,—police officers.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of George W. Fifield and others to authorize the city of Lowell to pension certain police officers.

Taxation of corporations for use of streets.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, of the mayor of Gloucester, for a law authorizing the assessment of a tax upon all corporations who use public streets for the erection and maintenance of poles or electric wires, or who open the public highways to lay pipes.

City of New Bedford,—public parks.

Petition, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of a joint special committee of the city council of New Bedford for an act to amend chapter 154 of the Acts of 1882 and chapter 167 of the Acts of 1889, relative to authorizing cities and towns to lay out public parks.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wilson of Boston, of William Power Wilson relative to the method of meeting the expense of watering streets in cities. Expense of watering streets in cities.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, of the mayor of Gloucester and others; by Mr. Weston of Hingham, of the selectmen of Cohasset and others; and by Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, of William H. Coates and others, — severally, for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Austin of Taunton, of the mayor of Taunton for the establishment of a sewer district in Taunton. To the committee on Drainage. City of Taunton, — sewer district.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, of the city council of the city of Gloucester, and the petition of the voters of ward six of said city, that said ward be divided into two precincts. To the committee on Election Laws. City of Gloucester, — division of Ward 6 into two precincts.

Petition, presented by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of Noah Hammond and others for the better preservation of birds and game. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Preservation of birds and game.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, of members of Beauport Lodge No. 6, Bay State League, against any legislation tending to injure any fraternal endowment organizations already incorporated. To the committee on Insurance. Fraternal endowment organizations.

Petition, presented by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, of Chester C. Conant and others for the establishment of one or more district courts in Franklin County. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Franklin County, — district court.

Petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of Patrick F. McCabe and others, and several petitions for the same object, for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees. To the committee on Labor. Hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills.

Petition, presented by Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union for such legislation Intoxicating liquors, — license to women.

as will prohibit the granting of licenses to women for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Intoxicating
liquors,—sale
of liquors to
women.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of Boston for such legislation as will prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor to women.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Manufacture of
gas and elec-
tricity by cities
and towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bucklin of Adams, of H. J. Bliss and others for a law permitting cities and towns to manufacture gas and electricity. To the committee on Manufactures.

Salem Building
Association.

Petition, presented by Mr. Stearns of Salem, of the Salem Building Association for leave to issue preferred stock to an amount not exceeding \$15,000. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Expenses at-
tending the pay-
ment of State
aid to be borne
by the State.

Petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of the city of Newburyport for an amendment of chapter 301 of the Acts of 1889, so that the expenses attending the payment of state aid in cities and towns shall be paid by the Commonwealth.

Regimental
and battalion
State officers.

Petition, presented by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, of Robert Ball Edes and others, regimental and battalion state officers, that such officers may have the rank of captain, and for an amendment of chapter 425 of the Acts of 1890 to that effect.

Mary Elizabeth
Perkins.

Petition, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of William T. Davis and others that Mary Elizabeth Perkins may be made eligible to receive state aid.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Lyman School
for Boys at
Westborough.

Petition, presented by Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, of John W. Fairbanks for an appropriation of \$1,000 for hospital accommodations at Lyman School for Boys at Westborough. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Inspection of
milk and milk
cans.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of the C. Brigham Company and others, in aid of the order relative to the inspection of milk and milk cans. To the committee on Public Health.

Salary of the
clerk of the
Dorchester
municipal court
of the city of
Boston.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bliss of Boston, of N. Thomas Merritt, Jr., clerk of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary. Salary of the constable of the Dorchester municipal court of the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition, presented by Mr. Fletcher of Lancaster, of E. W. Houghton and others, to fix the railroad freight on milk within fifty miles of Boston at three cents per can in winter, and four cents in summer. To the committee on Railroads. Railroad freight on milk.

Petition, presented by Mr. Greene of North Andover, of Agnes Park of Andover and C. F. P. Bancroft and others for the extension of municipal suffrage to women. Woman suffrage.

Petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Malden, of the Malden Woman's Suffrage League for additional rights of suffrage to certain classes of women.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of the Plymouth Suffrage League; and by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of the Bedford Woman Suffrage League, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Oakes of Boston, of George Golbert for State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that an order for the same object was filed with the clerk prior to the adjournment of the House on the first Wednesday in February. The petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence. George Golbert.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wilson of Boston, of William Power Wilson, that chapter 454 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the West End Street Railway Company, may be so amended as to confer upon the city of Boston power to attach terms and condition to the grant of a location under said act, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Street City of Boston, — West End Street Railway Company.

Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Falmouth Highlands Trust.

A petition presented by Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, of George W. Park and William G. Fish, trustees of the Falmouth Highlands Trust, for the right to take water from Long Pond in Falmouth, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioners had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Clarke of Falmouth the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

City of New Bedford, — public parks.

Petition, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of a joint special committee of the City Council of New Bedford, that the vote of acceptance by the voters of said city of chapter 154 of the Acts of 1882, relative to authorizing cities and towns to lay out public parks, may be confirmed. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Flint of Chelmsford, —

Damage by dogs.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 454 of the Acts of 1889, relative to damage done by dogs, so as to require persons claiming damage by dogs under said section to give notice to the officials designated in said section within some specified period of time.

Offered by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, —

Reorganization of national banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation enabling national banks to reorganize as State banks and trust companies.

Offered by Mr. Stearns of Salem, —

Restriction of the use of fireworks in cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of restricting or forbidding licenses by the mayor and aldermen of cities for setting fire to or throwing crackers, rockets and other dangerous fireworks, including toy pistols, toy cannon, bombs and mortars,

within public highways, streets or commons, or within reasonable distances therefrom.

Offered by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider Truancy. the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of a State agent to secure the enforcement of the laws relating to truancy and absentees from school.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider Examination of teachers in schools. the expediency of providing for the examination and certification of teachers by State authority.

Offered by Mr. Appleton of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of authorizing the appointment of a competent person, or persons, to examine the school systems, and methods of instruction, in other States of these United States, or beyond their limits, or both, with the object of seeking information which may result in the improvement of our own systems and methods, especial reference being had to our schools in more rural districts, and to report to the next Legislature; also to consider the expediency of recommending an appropriation of a sufficient sum of money to accomplish such an examination, and secure a report. Examination of schools, systems and methods of instruction.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of enacting by law that all teachers employed in the schools of the towns in this Commonwealth shall be examined before the State Board of Education, or agents thereof, by written examination, and be graded according to their qualifications and receive a certificate therefor. Examination of school teachers by the State Board of Education.

Offered by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider High schools. the expediency of providing by law that in towns which are not obliged by law to maintain a high school and do not maintain a school of that character, the parents of children in any such town may obtain and secure to such children tuition in the high school of any other city or town of the Commonwealth, which shall be paid for by the town in which the parent or parents reside.

City of Boston,
— conduct of
elections.

Offered by Mr. Wilson of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law that all the duties now performed by the city clerk of the city of Boston relating to the conduct of elections be transferred to and be performed by the board of registrars of voters of the city of Boston.

Political organ-
izations, — pay-
ment of poll
taxes.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law that political organizations shall pay no poll tax for any individual, unless requested by him in writing so to do.

Sessions of
boards of
registrars of
voters.

Offered by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall require boards of registrars of voters to hold additional sessions and to hold sessions at two or more places in each city or town.

Adulteration of
food and malt
liquors.

Offered by Mr. Dickinson of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of passing a resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress, from Massachusetts, to aid in the passage of the bills now pending to prevent the adulteration of food and malt liquors.

Shooting of
game in the
open season
by owners of
woodlands.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered. That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of legislation permitting the owners of woodlands, or their children, to shoot or trap game in the open season on their own lands.

Arrests for
violations of
the fish and
game laws.

Offered by Mr. Babson of Gloucester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of providing by law that in addition to the powers conferred upon the Commissioners of Fisheries and Game, by section 3 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relative to the powers of the said commissioners, the said commissioners and their deputies be authorized to arrest on sight persons violating the fish and game laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Endowment
insurance
companies.

Offered by Mr. Lane of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide that

all endowment insurance companies operating in this State shall be under the control and direction of the Insurance Commissioner, with full power to act.

Offered by Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 404 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the regulation and supervision of wires, so that the provisions of said act shall apply to towns. Supervision of wires in towns.

Offered by Mr. Stearns of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation to further protect the interests of minority stockholders in manufacturing corporations in this State, and to enable them to obtain information as to the financial condition of such corporations. Minority stock holders in manufacturing corporations.

Offered by Mr. Weston of Hingham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of legislation providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic, the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion to be registered and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day. Decoration of soldiers' graves.

Offered by Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending the militia law so as to provide for awarding medals to certain officers and soldiers. Militia, — awarding of medals.

Offered by Mr. Lanigan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the adulteration of malt liquors. Adulteration of malt liquors.

Offered by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of such additional legislation or of so amending the law in regard to the inspection and sale of milk, that dealers in milk shall have their names marked or stamped on all cans or vessels used by them in the sale of milk; that all cans or other vessels used in the con- Inspection of milk cans.

veyance or sale of milk shall be thoroughly washed and cleansed ; that an inspector or inspectors of milk cans may be appointed by the State Board of Health to inspect milk cans and other vessels used in the sale of milk, with power, for purposes of such inspection, to enter places where milk is stored or kept for sale, and to seize cans not marked as required by law, the same to be disposed of under order of court ; and that such further legislation may be had in regard to the care, use and inspection of milk cans as may be required in the premises.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Salaries of the Register and Assistant Register of Probate and Insolvency of Middlesex.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the register of probate and insolvency and the assistant register of probate and insolvency for Middlesex County, so as to make them more proportionate to the salaries of those officers in other counties.

Offered by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, —

Salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth county.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth County.

Offered by Mr. Golding of Boston, —

Overcrowding of street cars.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit the overcrowding of horse cars or street cars.

Offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Sale at public auction of new shares of street railways.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of amending section 16 of chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relative to new shares of stock of street railways, so as to require the sale at public auction of new shares upon an increase of capital stock of street railways when the cash market value of its shares exceeds the par value thereof.

Offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Property held by corporations or organizations exempt from taxation.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of a law that shall limit the amount or the proportion of the land of any city or town which can be purchased or held by corporations or organizations exempt from taxation under the provisions of clauses 3, 7 and 9 of section 5 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of creating a board of commissioners to be appointed by the Governor, who shall also invite the Governors of other States to appoint like commissioners to meet together in convention for the purpose of promoting uniformity of tax laws and corporation laws throughout the United States.

Uniformity of
tax laws and
corporation
laws throughout
the United
States.

Offered by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of requiring the assessment upon a person's property to be made upon the amount of the property of the person assessed, less the amount of debts owed by him.

Assessment of
property.

Offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the law concerning taxes on corporations, as to provide that such taxes shall be returned to the cities and towns in which they exercise municipal privileges or have locations or places of business in proportion to the amount of business carried on in each town in which they do business, or in proportion to the extent of the municipal franchises enjoyed in each city or town, or in such other proportion as the commissioner of taxation or some other board may deem equitable.

Taxation of cor-
porations.

Offered by Mr. Prouty of Scituate, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 54 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes, so as to oblige the assessors of cities and towns to make return to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number and value of fowl assessed for taxation within the Commonwealth.

Taxation of
fowl.

Offered by Mr. Reed of Pittsfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the existing laws of the Commonwealth as to allow assessors of taxes to issue from time to time, as they deem necessary, prior to committing their general warrant to the collector of taxes, special warrants directed to the collector, giving him the same authority to collect said taxes as is contained in existing

Assessors of
taxes, — war-
rants.

laws ; and also providing that when said general warrant is committed to the collector all assessments contained in any special warrants issued prior to that time shall be omitted from said general warrant.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Trustees for
property held in
trust by cities
and towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of authorizing towns to elect a board of trustees to have the custody and management, except in cases where it is by law otherwise provided, of funds and property held by towns in trust under the laws of the Commonwealth.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Appeals in
criminal cases.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the law in relation to criminal appeals and to reports and exceptions in criminal cases, so as to reduce expense and promote certainty therein.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Jurisdiction
of courts over
foreign corpo-
rations.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the jurisdiction of the courts over foreign corporations doing business within this Commonwealth, especially so far as may be necessary to determine the title to property within the Commonwealth.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Clerks of
courts, — jury
lists.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation requiring the clerks of courts to prepare a list of jurors in attendance for examination of parties and counsel, such list to state the name, residence and occupation of each juror.

Offered by Mr. Wier of Lowell, —

Inferior courts,
— bastardy com-
plaints.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section six of chapter eighty-five of the Public Statutes, relating to the giving of bonds on the continuance of hearings in bastardy complaints, that the court or trial justice therein referred to may order the accused to give bond to the party for whose benefit a bastardy complaint is made and prosecuted with sufficient surety or sureties for the appearance of the accused at some subsequent time, and from time to time, until the final disposition of the complaint, and not depart without leave, and may order him to be committed until such bond be given.

Offered by Mr Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of regulating and determining the size of plans left for record in the several registries of deeds, and the quality, character and nature of the cloth or paper on which such plans are drawn, and of prohibiting the record of all plans known as “blue prints.”

Plans recorded
in registries of
deeds.

Offered by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to amend section 2 of chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the observance of the Lord's day, so that druggists and apothecaries may be allowed to sell cigars and tobacco on Sunday.

Sale of cigars
and tobacco on
the Lord's day.

Offered by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 25 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, relating to the person holding the sessions of district courts in the absence of the justice, as to give the justice of any court therein referred to, authority to request either special justice of such court to sit at any time during his absence and perform the duties of the justice.

Duties of special
justices of
district courts
in the absence
of the justice.

Offered by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the law in relation to the trial of cases in court, so that in cases of hardship to claimants or plaintiffs, by reason of poverty or distress or otherwise, such cases, upon proper affidavit, may be advanced for speedy trial.

Advancement
of cases on the
trial list in
courts in certain
cases.

Offered by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation concerning tax sales of certain lands on the Island of Nantucket.

Nantucket,—
tax sales.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws in relation to the punishment of drunkenness, as to secure the longer confinement of those who have been frequently guilty of that offence, and the release of those who are seldom arrested therefor.

Imprisonment
in certain cases
of drunkenness.

Papers from the Senate.

Deposit of
public moneys
in trust com-
panies and safe
deposit and
trust com-
panies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of so amending section 55 of chapter 16 of the Public Statutes as to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to deposit public moneys in the trust companies and safe deposit and trust companies chartered by, and doing business in, the Commonwealth, upon the same terms as are now provided for such deposits of public moneys in the national banks.

New streets.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the laying out of new streets or streets over vacant lands, and the making of new streets laid out but not constructed, and the placing therein of water and gas pipes and sewers, and assessing the whole or part of the cost on owners of land within a certain distance from such street, or abutting on such street.

City of Boston,
— special voting
districts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for the establishment of special voting districts in Boston, for the election of members of the city council, so as to correct the present inequalities of the existing wards.

Temporary
loans by cities
and towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 29 of the Public Statutes, relative to the creation of temporary loans by cities and towns, so that the loans therein authorized may be so made as to become due and payable in the municipal year succeeding that in which they are made.

City of Boston,
— time loans.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to borrow money on a longer term than ten, but not exceeding fifty years, for any or all purposes for which the city is, or may be, authorized to borrow money.

City of Boston,
— ferries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to take such lands, docks, wharves and buildings as may be deemed necessary to furnish increased facilities for public travel on ferries, and for widening the approaches to the ferries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 119 of the Public Statutes, relative to insurance companies and insurance, so as to provide that in case of loss by fire of the property insured in a policy by an insurance company, the person in whose behalf the property is insured may recover the full amount for which the property was insured, from said company.

Insurance companies, — policy holders.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation so that the board or body granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall not have power to revoke liquor licenses, and providing that such licenses shall be revoked by conviction in any court of any offence against the liquor law notwithstanding an appeal from such conviction.

Intoxicating liquors, — revocation of licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of inquiring into the disposal of liquors forfeited to the Commonwealth and of amending the law in relation to the same.

Disposition of liquors forfeited to the government.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending the Public Statutes so that the local option law shall be repealed and a prohibitory statute be enacted.

Local option law.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of extending the right of owners of real estate within twenty-five feet of premises described in applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquor, so that the right shall apply to all licenses of the first five classes described in section 10 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes.

Intoxicating liquors, — objections to licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as may be necessary for the better protection of persons and property against injury from electric wires.

Protection from injury from electric wires.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing authority for the Commissioners on Survey and Map of Massachusetts to furnish copies of the atlas map of Massachusetts, so called, to certain of the State departments.

Atlas Maps of Massachusetts.

Boston, city
of,—inspection
of milk, vinegar
and provisions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of providing that the inspectors of milk, inspectors of vinegar and inspectors of provisions, in the city of Boston, be appointed by the board of health of said city.

Bureau of Sta-
tistics of Labor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House consider the expediency of providing a room for the use of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor for storage purposes.

Locations for
street railways.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of enacting legislation providing that no board of aldermen of any city shall authorize the location of any tracks of any street railway company in any public highway, except upon condition that such company, within thirty days after receiving notice of such conditional location, shall file in the office of the clerk of the city the written consent of the owners of three-fourths of the last prior assessed valuation of the real estate within one hundred feet of such highway.

Taxing of
locations to
corporations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing that taxes shall be assessed upon the location or other privileges granted by cities and towns to corporations, the same to be deducted from the value of their capital stock, as is now done in the case of real estate and machinery.

Taxation of
farms.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of taxes, so as to exempt from taxation farm property in buildings and land occupied by the owner thereof and by him used exclusively for farming and agricultural purposes, to an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars; providing that no property shall be so exempted, which, in the judgment of the assessors, has been conveyed to such persons for the purpose of evading taxation.

The following order was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly :—

Normal
schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of inquiring into and investigating the financial conduct and disbursement for the normal schools of the Commonwealth; and, if they deem it to be expedient, that they be authorized to make such inquiry and investigation, and send for persons and papers.

The following order was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that persons appointed as first assistants, or deputies, of departments of the city of Boston, be exempt from the civil service law.

City of Boston, — exemption from the civil service law of first assistants and deputies of departments.

Mr. Sohler of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the word "cities," and inserting in place thereof the words "public service." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health as relates to water supply, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hemenway of Canton.

Report of the State Board of Health, — water supply.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles P. Searle and Charles H. Cole for an act of incorporation for the Twenty-five Associates (Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill and Carpenter of Foxborough, of the House, present and dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Twenty-five Associates.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of E. A. Tibbetts that he and associates be incorporated as a savings bank in the city of Lynn. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Lynn, — savings bank.

Petition of Augustus M. Rice and others for incorporation as the North American Horse Insurance Company. To the committee on Insurance.

North American Horse Insurance Company.

Petition of a committee of the inhabitants of the town of Hudson, that said town be granted authority to establish and operate an electric plant; and also that it be given the right to introduce gas for lighting, or electricity or gas for motive power or heating purposes. To the committee on Manufactures.

Town of Hudson, — electric lighting.

Petition of Gideon M. Morley, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Gideon M. Morley.

Salary of sheriff
of Hampshire
county.

Petition of the county commissioners of the county of Hampshire, that the salary of the sheriff of said county be increased.

Salary of clerk
of South Boston
Municipal
Court.

Petition of Frank J. Tuttle, clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston District in the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Salary of assist-
ant clerk of
South Boston
Municipal
Court.

Petition of Adrian B. Smith, assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston District in the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Suburban
Railroad
Company.

Petition of Edward E. Pratt and others for an act of incorporation as the Suburban Railroad Company. To the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 9th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

North Easton
village district.

Petition of Oliver Ames and others, in behalf of the North Easton village district, for authority to issue additional bonds to an amount not exceeding \$25,000 for the purchase and extension of its water works. To the committee on Water Supply.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth.

Id.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith.

Plymouth
county, —
court house in
Brockton.

By Mr. Flint of Chelmsford, from the committee on County Estimates, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of Plymouth county to borrow a sum of money in addition to that now allowed by law for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in Brockton.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday adopted the following order: —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of granting State aid to George Golbert of 25 Green Street, Charlestown, Mass., father of William C. Golbert, formerly of Company I, Thirty-second Regiment, Mass. Vols., who was wounded in the battle of the Wilderness May 12, 1864, and died of said wounds, July 16, 1864, at his home in Charlestown, Mass.

George Golbert.

The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, it was, on further motion of Mr. Sohier, referred to the committee on Rules.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To extend the charter of the Wakefield Real Estate and Building Association; and

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year eighteen hundred and ninety and previous years;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the liability of officers of corporations; and

Orders of the day.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to regulating the granting of certificates of divorce to persons of the Israelite faith by their rabbis or ministers;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Arthur W. Moore for legislation to permit savings banks to invest in the first mortgage bonds of the Nantasket Beach Railroad Company, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; and

To amend section 11 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to expenses of courts to be paid by counties ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize Frederick W. Dickinson and others to build a bridge over tide-water at Osterville in the town of Barnstable ; and

To incorporate the Gloucester Safe Deposit and Trust Company in the city of Gloucester ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Joshua Phippen ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Bill to amend an Act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, at eleven minutes before two o'clock, the House adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Laid Over.

Mr. Lakin of Westfield asked leave to introduce a Resolve providing for the sale of certain portions of the lot of land, upon which a new State Normal School building is being erected in Westfield, and for other purposes. On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the reading of the resolve was dispensed with, and at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, consideration of the request to introduce the resolve was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

State Normal
School at
Westfield.

Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg asked leave to introduce a Resolve relative to an appropriation for the Gettysburg Battlefield Association. On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the reading of the resolve was dispensed with, and at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, consideration of the request to introduce the resolve was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Gettysburg
Battlefield As-
sociation.

Mr. Murray of Fitchburg asked leave to introduce a Bill relating to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners. On motion of Mr. Murray, the reading of the bill was dispensed with, and at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, consideration of the request to introduce the bill was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Com-
missioners.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, of Milk. Thomas F. Bell and others for further legislation relating to the regulation of the sale of milk. To the committee on Agriculture.

American Loan
and Trust
Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Charles of Boston, of the American Loan and Trust Company to amend chapter 413 of the Acts of 1888, to allow said company to administer estates of deceased persons.

Mattapan Trust
Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, of C. H. Hersey and others for incorporation as the Mattapan Trust Company.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Quincy,
—charter.

Petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of Henry O. Fairbanks, mayor of the city of Quincy, for an amendment of the charter of said city.

Corporations
exercising the
right of eminent
domain.

Petition, presented by Mr. Boodey of Wayland, of George Fred Williams for legislation limiting grants to corporations exercising the right of eminent domain or using the public thoroughfares for tracks.

City of Taun-
ton,—indebted-
ness.

Petition, presented by Mr. Austin of Taunton, of the mayor of Taunton for an act authorizing the city of Taunton to incur debt to an amount not exceeding \$200,000 outside its debt limit.

Gloucester Wa-
ter Supply
Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, of the mayor, aldermen and common councilmen of the city of Gloucester for an amendment of the charter of the Gloucester Water Supply Company, so that the vote to purchase the works of said company by the city can be taken at any election for the choice of city officers.

Fire department
of the city of
Boston.

Petition, presented by Mr. Keyes of Boston, of S. D. Charles of Boston to amend chapter 174 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, of the selectmen of Beverly for an amendment to the constitution, requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Constitutional
amendment,—
biennial elec-
tions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of Albert A. Piller and others for leave to be heard in opposition to the proposed constitutional amendment relative to biennial elections.

Id.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Herrod of Brockton, of Peter J. Mulligan and others against the passage of the biennial election resolve.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ripley of Montague, of S. E. Ripley that the Australian system of voting be extended to the Turners Falls fire district meeting. To the committee on Election Laws.

Turners Falls
fire district.

Petition, presented by Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, of Martin L. Stover and others for an appropriation to erect a monument at Antietam, Maryland. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Monument at
Antietam, Md.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Chance of Boston, of James Bertram and others, and of Frederick A. Flanders and others, — severally, for a repeal of the law relating to pursuing wild fowl with sail boat or launch.

Wild fowl.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition, presented by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association for leave to hold a reserve fund greater than now permitted by law.

New England
Commercial
Travellers' As-
sociation.

Petition, presented by Mr. Chester of Newton, of John A. Rolfe that section 201, chapter 119 of the Public Statutes, may be so amended that life insurance companies shall not be debarred from transacting the business of accident insurance.

Accident Insur-
ance.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bliss of Boston, of Curtis Guild, Jr., and others for legislation to provide for the registration and assurance by the Commonwealth of titles to land. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Registration of
land titles.

Petition, presented by Mr. Herrod of Brockton, of Peter J. Mulligan and others, prohibiting fining of help.

Fining of em-
ployees.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of Peter J. Mulligan and others that eight hours may be a day's work for public employees.

Hours of labor
of public em-
ployees.

Petition, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of E. M. Chamberlin and others for a law prohibiting the hiring and use of private bodies of armed men by employers of labor.

Use of private
bodies of
armed men by
employers of
labor.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of George W. Schuyler and others, and of Edward Desmond and others, — severally, for a law shortening the hours of labor in paper mills.

Tour workers
in paper mills.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Petition, presented by Mr. Herrod of Brockton, of Peter J. Mulligan and others that cities and towns may be allowed to make light, and engage in business.

Municipal light-
ing.

Municipal lighting.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of C. S. Beals and others that cities and towns may be enabled to manufacture gas and electricity.

Town of Melrose,—municipal lighting.

Petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, of Charles H. Lang, Jr., for an act enabling the town of Melrose to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

Dorchester Historical Society.

Petition, presented by Mr. Clark of Boston, of H. S. Carruth and others for incorporation as the Dorchester Historical Society.

Monatiquot Cemetery.

Petition, presented by the same gentleman, of Charles A. Belcher and others for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery.

Worcester Natural History Society.

Petition, presented by Mr. White of Worcester, of Merrick Bemis and others for an amendment to the charter of the Worcester Natural History Society.

Caledonian Club in Boston.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, of James Grant, on behalf of the Caledonian Club, for authority to increase its capital stock to \$100,000.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Veterinarians in the militia.

Petitions, offered by Mr. Appleton of Peabody, of Francis Peabody, Jr., and others, and of H. H. Goodell and others,—severally, in favor of veterinarians in the militia.

Harry W. Welch.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, of Harry W. Welch for aid from the State, on account of disabilities received while doing militia duty.

Simon E. Young.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Lawrence, of Simon E. Young for reimbursement for a horse which died from overwork at the annual encampment of July, 1890.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Waltham Home for Aged Women.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hall of Waltham, of the Home for Aged Women in Waltham for a change of name.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

Petition, presented by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, for an appropriation to build a new building at Waltham.

Lamson Home.

Petition, presented by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, of the Lamson Home, for leave to transfer its property to some other charitable organization.

Petition, presented by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, of the Springfield Young Men's Christian Association for the consolidation of two corporations in Springfield.

Springfield
Young Men's
Christian
Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Salter of Lynn, of R. E. Harmon and others for an increase of salary of the judge of the Lynn police court. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the
judge of the
Lynn police
court.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mooney of Boston, of William L. Mooney for legislation to compel the Old Colony Railroad Company to elevate a certain portion of their roadbed and tracks within the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— Old Colony
Railroad
Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, of Graustein Bros. for legislation to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to carry out certain recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners relative to the transportation of a milk car belonging to said Graustein Bros. over a portion of the road of said company.

Boston and
Maine Railroad
Company, —
Graustein Bros.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of George W. Fifield, mayor of Lowell, in relation to railroad tracks and spurs on Moody Street in Lowell.

City of Lowell,
— railroad
tracks.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, of James Emerson and 2,000 legal voters of the cities of Holyoke and Chicopee against any amendment of chapter 350 of the Acts of 1889, relating to the Willimansett bridge.

Willimansett
bridge between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

Petition, presented by Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, of the selectmen of Salisbury and Amesbury for reimbursement for rebuilding Newburyport bridge.

Amesbury and
Salisbury, —
Newburyport
bridge.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of Henry K. Stone and others for statutes providing for true lists of personal estate for purposes of taxation, taxation of mortgage loans, State representation on boards of assessors, returns from corporations of stockholders and creditors, and other remedies for the failure to tax chattels.

Taxation.

Petition, presented by Mr. Swallow of Boston, of John S. Emery Company and others; and by Mr. Richardson of

Taxation of
vessels en-
gaged in the
foreign carry-
ing trade.

Newburyport, of the mayor of Newburyport, — severally, for an extension of the provisions of section 10, chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to vessels engaged in foreign carrying trade.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Town of
Watertown.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of the selectmen of Watertown to take real estate along the line of Treadaway Brook, so-called, Watertown. To the committee on Towns.

Foxborough
Water Supply
District.

Petition, presented by Mr. Fales of Norfolk, of E. P. Carpenter for an extension of the limits of the Foxborough water supply district. To the committee on Water Supply.

Woman suf-
frage.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wilder of Leominster, of Jonathan Drake and others of Leominster, in aid of petition for granting municipal suffrage to women.

Id.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hartshorn of Norwood, of the Dedham Suffrage League that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections, and for all town and city officers.

Id.

Petition, presented by Mr. Emery of Taunton, of Isadore L. Montgomery and others that women may be allowed to vote on the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Town of Man-
chester, — wa-
ter supply.

A petition, presented by Mr Bingham of Manchester, of Roland C. Lincoln and others that the town of Manchester be authorized to establish a system of water supply and to issue bonds, notes or scrip to pay for the same, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioners had not complied with the provisions of said rule.

Id.

A petition, presented by the same gentleman, of Samuel Knight and others, special committee of the town of Manchester, for an act authorizing said town to supply itself and its inhabitants with water, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioners had not complied with the provisions of said rule.

On motions of Mr. Bingham of Manchester, the 9th Joint Rule was suspended in each case, and on further motions of the same gentleman, the petitions were severally referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of the mayor of Newburyport for an act instructing the board of county commissioners of Essex County to rebuild and extend the fender pier to the draw of the Newburyport bridge, and to provide for the payment of expense incurred, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Richardson, the 9th Joint Rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

City of Newburyport, — Newburyport bridge.

Petition, presented by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, of George H. Brown for a law to authorize owners to arrest trespassers upon their property.

Trespass upon land.

Petition, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of P. J. Moran and others, for an amendment of the employers' liability act increasing the liability to ten thousand dollars.

Employers' liability.

Petition, presented by Mr. Herrod of Brockton, of Patrick Murphy and others for a repeal of all laws governing pawnbrokers, and for a law compelling cities and towns to establish public loan offices.

Pawnbrokers, — public loan offices.

Petition, presented by Mr. Giles of Somerville, of Charles J. Noyes and others for such legislation as will provide for the adjustment of certain claims arising from the construction of the new court house in Suffolk County.

County of Suffolk, — new court house.

Petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of C. H. Filiastetti for legislation allowing barbers to keep shops open on Sunday.

Open barber shops on the Lord's Day.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of George W. Fifield, mayor of Lowell, to authorize the city council of Lowell to take land for burial ground.

City of Lowell, — burial ground.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

State Board of
Agriculture, —
agricultural so-
cieties.

Offered by Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 114 of the Public Statutes relative to the certificates filed by agricultural societies claiming bounties, so that the financial returns of agricultural societies shall be required to be returned to the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture between the first and tenth days of January in each year ; and also so as to require such societies to make such returns of their financial affairs as the Board of Agriculture may require.

Fees for dog
licenses.

Offered by Mr. White of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 109 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes relating to the fee for licensing dogs, by striking out the words “ one dollar,” in the seventh line thereof, and inserting in their place the words “ ten dollars.”

Preservation of
shade trees in
the highways.

Offered by Mr. Converse of Winchendon, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1890, providing for the preservation of ornamental and shade trees in highways, that the time for designating such trees and driving and renewing spikes therein shall be between the first day of June and the thirty-first day of March in the following year, both days inclusive, instead of between the first day of September and the thirty-first day of December in each year as now provided in said act.

Savings bank
depositors.

Offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation requiring more explicit return of the occupation of depositors in the savings banks of the Commonwealth.

Trustees of the
Boston Public
Library.

Offered by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the act establishing the board of trustees of the Public Library of Boston, so as to provide for more members and for different terms of office, and for a salary for the president of such board.

Offered by the same gentleman : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of repealing chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1885, being an act to establish a board of police for the city of Boston, or of amending such act so as to provide that the term of the members of said board shall be three years, the term of one member expiring each year, and so that the members of said board shall be subject to removal by the Governor; also of amending said act so that the powers of granting and controlling licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be taken away from said board; also of legislation vesting the power of granting and controlling such licenses in some other tribunal.

City of Boston,
— board of
police.

Offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation giving the authority to appoint or select the members of commissions to the community paying the salary of such commissioners, or its legally constituted officers.

Appointment
of commission.

Offered by Mr. Gould of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation abolishing the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston, and vesting the control of the police of Boston in the mayor of said city under such regulations as the Legislature may prescribe.

Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation to authorize the appointment of a special commission to consider the advisability of legislation to provide for a common administration by the city of Boston, and any or all of the cities and towns lying in whole or in part within a radius of twelve miles from the city hall in said city of Boston, of matters pertaining to water supply, sewerage, highways, lighting, passenger-transportation, public schools, libraries and parks, fire, police and health departments, public institutions and other matters of common interest to such cities and towns.

Common ad-
ministration of
certain depart-
ments of Boston
and vicinity.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation providing for the election of aldermen-at-large in the city of Boston, in addition to the aldermen chosen by districts, and providing for the choice

City of Boston,
— aldermen at
large.

of such aldermen-at-large for a longer term than one year, and in such manner that the terms of only a portion of such aldermen-at-large shall expire in any one year.

Offered by Mr. Wilson of Boston, —

Harvard bridge.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 282 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to Harvard bridge, so that it shall read as follows: — “*Section 4.* The boards of aldermen of said cities may, by concurrent vote, on such terms and conditions as they may deem proper, and subject to such regulations as they may from time to time adopt, authorize the running of street cars over said bridge, or the setting apart of a portion of said bridge for the special use of said cars.”

Offered by the same gentleman, —

City of Boston,
— transfers of
appropriation.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing by law that after general appropriations for city expenditures in the city of Boston have been made, no money shall thereafter be borrowed or appropriated, or transfer be made from one appropriation to another, except upon a recommendation thereto made by the mayor to the city council of said city, and, in that case, only to the amount so recommended.

Offered by Mr. Keliher of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— borrowing
money.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to borrow, on or before the first day of May of each year, all the money which it would be entitled to borrow under existing laws during the municipal year, and to appropriate the same for public purposes.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Constitutional
amendment, —
poll-tax.

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of passing, for the first time, an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the requirement of the payment of a tax as a qualification for voting, if the amendment for this purpose adopted by the Legislature of 1890 fails of adoption by this Legislature.

Offered by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, —

Special election
for the submis-
sion of the con-
stitutional
amendments.

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of providing by law for a special election to be held before the next regular State election for the submission to the people of any constitu-

tional amendments that may be adopted by the present General Court and were adopted by the last General Court ; also of providing by law for the submission to the people of such constitutional amendments at the next regular election.

Offered by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of authorizing school committees to grant certificates of qualification to teach to persons holding the diploma of a Massachusetts normal school without examination.

Normal school diplomas as certificates of qualification to teach without examination.

Offered by Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of authorizing towns to allow pupils on leaving the public schools to receive, as a gift from the town, a part or all the books studied during the last year of their attendance in said school.

Gifts of books to pupils in public schools.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending section 15 of chapter 46 of the Public Statutes, relating to school registers and returns, and making the right of teachers to receive payment for services conditional upon the return of a register properly filled up and completed, so that the condition may be removed and the provisions of the section made harmonious with the provisions of chapter 399 of the Acts of 1887, relating to weekly payment of wages by corporations.

Weekly payment of wages to school teachers.

Offered by Mr. Herrod of Brockton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation to provide for the giving of notice by boards of registrars of the omission of names from the register of voters or voting lists.

Notice of omission of names from the voting lists.

Offered by Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will require all meetings for the purpose of nominating candidates for elective offices, to be held, as far as practicable, under the system used at elections, and known as the Australian system.

Australian system of voting at caucuses and conventions.

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation fixing the basis of representation in political conventions for the nomination of candidates for public office.

Basis of representation in political conventions.

Assessment of
polls and regis-
tration of
voters.

Offered by Mr. Salter of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of enacting legislation that will tend to a more thorough assessment of polls and a larger registration of voters.

Time for open-
ing the polls on
election days.

Offered by Mr. Bright of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section 66 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the time for the opening of the polls on election days, as to provide that in all cities the time for the opening of the polls shall be as early as six o'clock in the forenoon.

Election re-
turns, — vote of
cities by wards.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation requiring the election returns made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give the vote of cities by wards.

Elections, —
marking of
ballots.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation for enabling a voter to cast his vote for all of the candidates of a political party who appear on the official ballot, by making a single mark in some suitable place thereon.

Number of can-
didates for any
one office.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation which shall provide that no greater number of candidates shall be placed upon the official ballot, as the candidates of any political party for any office, than there are persons to be elected to such office.

Appointment
of election
officers.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, being an Act to revise the laws relating to elections, so that a later date shall be fixed for the appointment of election officers.

Blank forms of
nomination
papers to be
furnished to
town and city
clerks.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing for the furnishing to town and city clerks by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of blank forms of certificates of nomination and nomination papers of State officers.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation which will provide that when a voter receives assistance in preparing his ballot as provided by law, he may receive such assistance from an inspector representing his own political party.

Assistance to voters.

Offered by Mr. Capen of Stoughton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of fixing the hour of day at which the filing of nominations with the town clerk shall close; also of preventing the filing of nomination papers on Sunday.

Closing time for the receipt of nomination papers.

Offered by Mr. White of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to encouraging the raising of choice breeds of domestic animals and poultry, and for the association and accommodation of societies and maintaining reading-rooms, libraries or social meetings, by adding thereto substantially the following words: "or for the cultivation of fish in inland waters and for the protection of the same."

Cultivation of fish in inland waters.

Offered by Mr. Kirby of Westport, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending chapter 193 of the Acts of 1887, relating to the fisheries in the waters of Westport, so that during two days of each week it shall be unlawful to draw, set, stretch or use any net, purse or seine of any kind, for taking mackerel, smelts, herring, alewives, perch or any other kind of fish in the waters of the town of Westport.

Fishing in the waters of Westport.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending chapter 193 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to fisheries in the town of Westport, so as to permit fishing with seines or nets from the first day of November until the first day of May.

Town of Westport, — fisheries.

Offered by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled, "An Act for

Fairhaven, — fisheries.

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Town of Westport, — fisheries.

Offered by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, —

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Fairhaven, — fisheries.

the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay," by striking out in said section the words at the end thereof, beginning "nor to the use of set nets or gill nets in the waters of the town of Fairhaven within a line drawn, etc.," so as to prevent set nets or gill nets being used in the waters of the town of Fairhaven.

Offered by Mr. Dickinson of Springfield, —

Berkshire,
Franklin,
Hampshire and
Hampden
counties, —
trout.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 193 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to taking trout in the counties of Berkshire, Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden, by providing that trout may be taken in said counties between the first day of April and the first day of September.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organ-
izations.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of allowing fraternal beneficiary organizations, which pay death benefits, to accumulate and hold a greater reserve fund than that which is permitted under existing laws.

Id.

Offered by Mr. Giles of Somerville, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider what further legislation is necessary to enable fraternal beneficiary corporations to create and provide for an adequate reserve fund to meet maturing liabilities, and for the safe custody of the same.

Id.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of requiring fraternal beneficiary corporations to provide a more adequate and permanent reserve fund than now required by law, to meet future liabilities.

Id.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the collection by the Treasurer and Receiver General of the Commonwealth, of the interest and income due and payable on or from the securities and investments of the fraternal beneficiary corporations, and to the disposal of the same.

Registration of
land titles.

Offered by Mr. Barrett of Malden, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the passage of a resolve providing for the appointment of commissioners to investi-

gate the subject of land transfer and registration of deeds and titles in other states and countries, and especially the system known as the Australian system, and to consider the advisability of adopting in this Commonwealth any features of foreign systems or systems prevailing in other states, and to report on the subject to the next General Court; also providing for the compensation of such commissioners.

Offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for a convention of delegates of the people for the purpose of revising the Constitution of this Commonwealth, substantially as set forth in chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the Acts of eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of eighteen hundred and fifty-two, each entitled, "An act relating to the calling a convention of delegates of the people for the purpose of revising the Constitution." Constitutional convention.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing one or more district courts in Franklin County for the jurisdiction over the whole of said county or a portion or portions of said county. Franklin county, — district courts.

Offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further providing for trials in the superior court without a jury, so that upon agreement of parties three justices of said court may sit in the trial of certain causes with the powers of arbitration. Trials in the superior court.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing a more convenient system of transfer of titles to real estate, and for the registration and indexing of deeds or other instruments affecting the same. Registration of land titles.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the appointment of a special committee to examine into the matter of transfer of titles to real estate, and the registration and indexing of deeds or other instruments affecting the same. Id.

Offered by Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Wages of city
and town
laborers.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation which will increase, at least ten per cent., the wages now paid State, city and town employees who are classified as laborers, and that such amounts with the above increase be paid to all employees now or hereafter engaged in and by the State, cities and towns as laborers.

Offered by Mr. Moreau of Spencer, —

Railroad em-
ployees, — em-
ployment on
Sundays.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of preventing railroad corporations from requiring the men in their employ to work Sundays, except in cases of emergency or absolute necessity; also to consider the expediency of compelling the payment of extra compensation for Sunday work.

Offered by Mr. Rady of Cambridge, —

Hours of labor
of laborers
employed by
the State,
counties, cities
and towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending chapter 375 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work for laborers employed by the Commonwealth, or by cities or towns, so as to provide that nine hours shall constitute a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by any county in the Commonwealth, or by any other public body.

Offered by Mr. Buchholz of Springfield, —

Intoxicating
liquors, —
license fees.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation restricting innholders' license fees to \$800; also restricting the fees for first class liquor licenses to \$500; also to consider a change in the law limiting the number of liquor licenses so that one license may be granted for each five hundred inhabitants.

Offered by Mr. Clark of Boston, —

Intoxicating
liquors, —
brewers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that brewers shall not sell malt liquors in quantities less than one-quarter barrel.

Offered by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, —

Intoxicating
liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of enacting a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor.

Offered by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of permitting gas and electric companies situated in the same city or town to consolidate with a capitalization equal to their appraised valuation.

Consolidation
of gas and
electric com-
panies.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation providing for the better regulation and control by State, city and town officers of the acts and business of persons, associations or corporations making use, for business purposes, of wires over or under the public highways; also regulating by law the incorporation of companies for such purposes, and all proceedings and work to extend such wires over or under the public highways.

Regulation and
control of
electric wires.

Offered by Mr. Barrett of Concord, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 11, chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, concerning the militia, by adding at the end thereof the following words: "No person shall be eligible to appointment on the staff of the Commander-in-chief who has not been, or is not now, in the service of the militia of this Commonwealth, or in the military or naval service of the United States, excepting the four aides-de-camp."

Governor's
staff.

Offered by Mr. Withington of Newburyport, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to the printing and distribution of public documents, so that there shall be printed annually two thousand copies of the report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, eight hundred copies thereof to be distributed under the direction of said board.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the labor of prisoners, so as to fix some definite term of office for the superintendent of prisons.

Term of office
of the superin-
tendent of
prisons.

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of authorizing the

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates to contract for a supply of water for said institution from the town of Foxborough, or the water commissioners of said town, or of the fire district therein.

Offered by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Fire escapes on
public chari-
table institu-
tions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending chapter 378 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to fire-escapes at State institutions for the insane, so that all the public charitable institutions of this Commonwealth may be provided with fire-escapes.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending chapter 450 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Firemen's Relief Fund of Massachusetts, so that the sum of \$10,000 annually may be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to the State Firemen's Association.

Offered by Mr. Moreau of Spencer, —

Pharmacists.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 313, Acts of 1885, and acts in amendment thereof in relation to the registering of pharmacists, so that chemists and graduates of technical schools and colleges with the degree of B.S., A.M., or Ph.D., may practise pharmacy without further examination.

Offered by Mr. Wright of Duxbury, —

Boards of
health, — sani-
tary regulations
in public build-
ings and school
houses.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 149 of the Acts of 1888, and chapter 438 of the Acts of 1890, relating to sanitary regulations in public buildings and school houses, so as to transfer the enforcement of said acts from the inspection department of the district police force to the boards of health in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Offered by Mr. McFethries of Springfield, —

Salary of the
treasurer of
Hampden
County.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the treasurer of the county of Hampden, so that it shall be eighteen hundred dollars a year, instead of fifteen hundred dollars, as now fixed by law.

Offered by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the members of the General Court of 1891 to \$1,000 each. Salary of members of the General Court.

Offered by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of regulating by law the number of brakemen on freight trains. Number of brakemen on freight trains.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation requiring the Railroad Commission to inquire into the expediency of providing for the adoption by the railroads of this Commonwealth of the so-called "zone system" of passenger fares, by which a uniform rate of fare is charged for all points lying within a given section of territory. Passenger rates on railroads.

Offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of providing by law that whenever any accident shall happen in connection with the operation of any street railway or any injury be occasioned to any person or property (other than property of the street railway company itself) by the electric current, apparatus, plant or fixtures, cars or other rolling-stock or horses used by any street railway company, such company shall, within twenty-four hours after such accident, make a report in writing, giving as fully as possible the circumstances and details of the accident and injury, to the board of aldermen of the city or selectmen of the town, where such accident occurred, or to such officer as such board of aldermen or selectmen may designate to receive the same; every street railway company to be required to display a copy of the act in every car used by it for the transportation of passengers, and every violation of the act to be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or such other penalty as may seem wise. Street railway companies, — reports of accidents.

Offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of repealing chapter 366 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to increase of capital stock of street railways, and such other acts as may give authority to the Board of Railroad Commissioners to authorize the issue of capital stock. Increase of capital stock of street railways.

Collection of
taxes, — fees of
collectors of
taxes.

Offered by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to taxation so as to provide how notices, summons and demands may be served; also to amend section 25 of chapter 390 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the payment of taxes where a person dies or becomes insolvent, by inserting after the word "insolvent" in the second line, the words "or assigns his property to any person;" also to amend section 7 of chapter 390 of the Acts of 1888, as amended by section 3, chapter 334 of the Acts of 1889, and chapter 331 of the Acts of 1890, relating to fees and charges of collectors, by inserting in the clause which reads "for a warrant to distrain or arrest, fifty cents" the words "or a copy thereof" after the word "arrest;" and after said clause the words, "for a demand, twenty cents."

Poll tax, —
exemption from
taxation of
persons over
seventy-two
years of age in
certain cases.

Offered by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of a law that shall exempt all persons over 72 years of age from paying a poll tax when the assessed valuation of their property does not exceed two thousand dollars.

Limit of the
rate of taxation
in towns.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of limiting the amount of taxes to be assessed by towns, by the passage of an act applying to towns, similar to chapter 312 of the Acts of 1885, relating to the limitation of tax rates in cities, so that towns and cities shall have like powers relative to the amount of taxes that may be assessed.

Taxation of
domestic
animals.

Offered by Mr. Child of Swansey, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending clause 3, section 20, chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to assessment of taxes, by inserting at the end thereof the following, namely: "provided that all such animals kept on a farm which is divided by a town line shall be assessed to the owners thereof in the town where the owners reside, if in either of such towns; but if they do not reside in either of such towns, then all such animals shall be assessed in the town where the dwelling-house connected with said farm is located," so that said clause shall read as follows, namely: "Horses, mules, neat-cattle, sheep and swine kept throughout the year

in places other than those where the owners reside, whether such owners reside within or without the Commonwealth, and horses employed in stages or other vehicles for the transportation of passengers for hire, shall be assessed to the owners in the places where they are kept, provided that all such animals kept on a farm which is divided by a town line shall be assessed to the owners thereof in the town where the owners reside, if in either of such towns, but if they do not reside in either of such towns, then all such animals shall be assessed in the town where the dwelling-house connected with said farm is located."

Offered by Mr. Rady of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation exempting from taxation all persons not possessing taxable property.

Exemption from taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Warren of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing that no persons arrested charged with simple drunkenness shall be fined or committed to any penal institution, provided such persons shall show they have employment or are engaged in any legal trade or profession, or if any responsible firm or corporation shall state to the court that they will give such persons employment.

First offence of drunkenness.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing a penalty for the attempt, by any holder of a tax title, to collect from the owner of real estate a larger amount of money for the redemption of such estate than that provided for in chapter 12, section 49 of the Public Statutes, relating to the redemption of real estate taken or sold for payment of taxes.

Redemption of real estate taken or sold for payment of taxes.

Offered by Mr. Worcester of Townsend, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 203 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to naturalization, so that inferior courts not having clerks appointed by the Governor shall have no right to naturalize aliens; and so that persons living within the jurisdiction of such courts not having clerks, may apply to the nearest inferior court having a clerk duly appointed by the Governor.

Inferior courts, — naturalization of aliens.

Agricultural societies, — trials of speed of horses.

Offered by Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of prescribing the terms under which trials of speed of horses may take place upon the grounds of legally constituted agricultural societies or farmers' clubs or on grounds of associations incorporated, or to be incorporated, for the purpose of improving the breed of horses, and further providing for the sale of pools under certain conditions at such trials of speed.

Personal property, — recording of leases and conditional bills of sale.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will cause to be recorded all leases and conditional bills of sale of personal property in the same manner and within the same period as provided in the several sections of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes, relating to pledges, liens and mortgages, for the recording of mortgages of personal property.

First offence of drunkenness.

Offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of granting to the police authorities of cities and towns, or the justices of police, district and municipal courts, or to trial justices, the power to release persons arrested for the first time for drunkenness.

Bail fees in cases of drunkenness.

Offered by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of abolishing or reducing bail fees in cases of drunkenness or other misdemeanors; also of such legislation as will authorize chiefs of police, keepers of lock-ups or other officers to accept bail in such cases.

Use of tobacco by minors.

Offered by Mr. Emery of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 72 of the Acts and Resolves of 1886, concerning the sale and gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age, so that no child actually or apparently under sixteen years of age shall smoke or in any way use any cigar, cigarette or tobacco in any form whatever in any public street, place or resort, a violation of this to be punished by suitable fine.

Bail commissioners.

Offered by Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 46 of chap-

ter 212 of the Public Statutes, relating to magistrates admitting to bail, by inserting the words "commissioner of insolvency" after the words "master in chancery," in the third and fourth lines of said section, so that said section as amended shall read: "A justice of the supreme judicial court or superior court, a standing or special commissioner appointed by either of said courts, a justice or a clerk of police, district or municipal court, a master in chancery, commissioner of insolvency, or a trial justice in any county, on application of a prisoner held under arrest or committed for a bailable offence, whether on a warrant or without one, or in the custody of an officer, under a mittimus, may inquire into the case and admit such prisoner to bail; and such magistrates may respectively admit to bail any person committed for not finding sureties to recognize for him."

Offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law for a joinder in one action by different claimants of a reward offered by a corporation or by an individual, for the bringing into such action of all claimants, and of different persons who may be claimed to have offered the reward, and for a shorter period of limitation of actions for the recovery of such rewards.

Recovery of rewards.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for securing a more complete knowledge of the history and character of persons accused of crime, for the assistance of the courts and others who shall have occasion to deal with them.

Character of persons accused of crime.

Offered by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for the awarding of damages to tenants for leased property taken by municipal corporations for public improvements or other purposes.

Damages to tenants for leased property.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for the awarding of damages to tenants for leased property taken by right of eminent domain.

Offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Naturalization.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further amending chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to naturalization, so as to reduce or abolish the fees fixed thereby, so as to require regular and frequent sessions of the courts for the purpose of acting upon applications for naturalization, so as to allow a primary declaration to be made before the clerk of any court having jurisdiction of naturalization, so as to relieve an applicant for naturalization of the duty of giving notice to the city or town clerk, so as to provide for uniform blanks, to be furnished on application by the clerk of any court having jurisdiction of naturalization, and so as to facilitate naturalization in other ways.

Offered by the same gentleman; —

Highways, —
appeal from
county com-
missioners.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 49 of the Public Statutes, relative to the power of county commissioners in laying out and discontinuance of ways, so as to provide for an appeal to some judicial tribunal from the decision of such commissioners.

Offered by Mr. Giles of Somerville, —

Inferior courts,
— liens.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting legislation to make more certain what inferior courts shall have jurisdiction of suits to enforce liens, and also to provide how the suits for different liens on the same property shall be tried, and for their merger into one action on appeal or otherwise, and to provide what fees shall be charged and what costs taxed therein.

Offered by Mr. White of Worcester, —

Trustee
process.

Ordered, that the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 30, chapter 183 of the Public Statutes, relating to exemptions in trustee process, by adding the following words thereto at the end thereof: "Excepting where the claim attached is for board or lodging or both."

Offered by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Hampshire
district court, —
pleadings.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 90 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes, relating to pleadings and practice in the courts, so as to include in its provisions and application the district court of Hampshire.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 162 of the Public Statutes, and chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to procedure in poor debtor matters, and of inserting after the words "trial justices" wherever they occur in the several sections of said acts, the words "or master of chancery."

Procedure in
poor debtor
matters.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that district and police courts shall have in their respective counties original and concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court of actions of contract, tort or replevin where the debt or damages demanded or value of property alleged to be detained is more than one hundred dollars and does not exceed five hundred dollars.

District and
police courts, —
actions of tort,
contract or
replevin.

Offered by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation requiring the publication, in at least one newspaper of each county of the Commonwealth, of all applications for the pardon of State prison convicts, with a record of sentences and time already served, and of any previous convictions or pardons of each prisoner whose pardon is applied for.

Publication of
applications
for pardon of
State prison
convicts.

Offered by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 27, section 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the election of overseers of the poor, by striking out all after the word "stead" in line two of said section, and substituting therefor the following: "If a person elected a member of such board of overseers, after being duly notified of his election in the manner in which town officers are required to be notified, refuses or neglects to accept said office, or if a member of such board declines further service, or from change of residence or otherwise becomes unable to attend to the duties of said office, the remaining members shall, in writing, give notice of the fact to the selectmen of the town or to the mayor and aldermen of the city, and the two boards shall thereupon, after giving public notice of at least one week, proceed to fill such vacancy, and a majority of ballots of persons entitled to vote shall be necessary to an election."

Overseers of
the poor.

Metropolitan
Sewerage
Commission.

Offered by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of what legislation may be necessary or expedient in relation to proceedings arising out of the taking of land by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission.

Executors and
administrators.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of repealing sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, of chapter 132 of the Public Statutes, relating to the notice of appointment of executors and administrators, and all amendments thereof, and striking out of section 9 of chapter 136 of Public Statutes, relating to the limitation of actions against executors and administrators, the words, "after having given due notice of his appointment," and amending any other provision of statute which would be inconsistent with such repeal.

Poor debtors.

Offered by Mr. Turner of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing by law that in all courts other than the municipal court of the city of Boston, having original jurisdiction in poor debtor matters, the clerk, or, in case there be no clerk, the justice, shall be entitled to retain to his own use some portion of the fees in such matters now required to be paid by said courts to the several counties.

Fees in poor
debtor matters.

Offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending the law regarding the payment of fees in poor debtor matters in the courts of the Commonwealth, that in every case entered in court a suitable fee in the nature of an entry fee shall be paid by the party instituting the proceeding and thereafter no fees shall be required in the same case in the same court.

Gettysburg
Battlefield
Memorial
Association.

Offered by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance consider the expediency of re-appropriating the amount called for in Resolve 56 in the year 1889, being the sum of \$500, in favor of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Chance of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the provisions as to notice contained in chapter 155 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, so that the provision as to notice will read as follows: "The notice required by this section shall be in writing, signed by the person injured or by some one in his behalf; but if by lack of knowledge of the law or of the extent of the employee's injury or from physical or mental incapacity it is impossible for the person injured to give the notice within the time provided in said section he may give the same within ten days after such incapacity is removed or such knowledge is acquired if within six months from the time of injury; and in case of his death without having given the notice and without having been for ten days at any time after his injury of sufficient capacity to give the notice, his executor or administrator may give such notice within six months after his appointment."

Employers' liability.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing his Excellency the Governor to appoint a commission to consider the subject of the improvement of the Charles River basin, parks, bridges over Charles River, and the general interests of commerce and of the Commonwealth and the adjacent cities in said river.

Charles River basin, — commission to consider the subject of improvement.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 84 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to furnishing ballot boxes at the expense of the Commonwealth, so as to provide for furnishing and using more than one such box in towns not divided into voting precincts, and where more than nine hundred votes have been cast at a previous State election.

Ballot boxes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 30 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to furnishing books for registration, so as to require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish to towns the

Registration blanks.

requisite blanks, together with such suggestions, directions and instructions as are necessary for the use and guidance of town officers in the performance of their duties in connection with the registration of voters.

Use of streets,
—revocation of
locations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns, or some officer or board thereof, to revoke locations granted for the use of streets by corporations or persons.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was considered :—

Investigation of
the financial
conduct and
disbursement of
State Normal
Schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of inquiring into and investigating the financial conduct and disbursement for the normal schools of the Commonwealth; and, if they deem it to be expedient, that they be authorized to make such inquiry and investigation, and send for persons and papers.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "it to be expedient, that they be authorized to make such inquiry and investigation, and send for persons and papers," and inserting in place thereof the words "an investigation to be expedient, that they shall report what action should be taken." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Trustees of the
Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

A report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petition of Van R. Swift and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants for the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Carney
Hospital.

Petition of the President of the Carney Hospital Corporation for a grant of money from the Commonwealth. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

A petition of the Peabody Woman's Christian Temperance Union that women qualified to vote for members of the school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson. Appropriation bills.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Bill to amend an act concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents and to provide for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry for the present year. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Printing and distribution of the laws and public documents.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To amend an Act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense ; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses ;

To prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badges of the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps ; and

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles P. Searle and Charles H. Cole for an act of incorporation for the Twenty-five Associates, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ; and

To authorize the county commissioners of Plymouth County to borrow a sum of money in addition to that now allowed by law for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in Brockton ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; and

To amend section 11 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to expenses of courts to be paid by counties ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, at twenty-one minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 10, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Leave was granted Mr. Lakin of Westfield to introduce the Resolve, laid over from yesterday, providing for the sale of certain portions of the lot of land upon which a new State normal school building is being erected in Westfield, and for other purposes, and the resolve was referred to the committee on Education, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

State Normal
School at
Westfield.

Leave was granted Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg to introduce the Resolve, laid over from yesterday, relative to an appropriation for the Gettysburg Battlefield Association, and the resolve was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Gettysburg
Battlefield
Association.

Leave was granted Mr. Murray of Fitchburg to introduce the Bill, laid over from yesterday, relating to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, and the bill was referred to the committee on Manufactures, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Com-
missioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill to amend an Act to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Employers'
liability.

By Mr. Lanigan of Boston, a Bill relating to the transportation of members of the General Court. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, laid on the table.

Transportation
of members of
the General
Court.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

City of Boston,
—hours of
labor of
firemen.

Petitions, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of P. H. Kenney and others, and of J. M. Garrity and others, —severally, in aid of the petition of Isaac A. Williams and others that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston fire department.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wright of Duxbury, of the selectmen of Duxbury, and of the selectmen, the town clerk and the registrars of voters of Marshfield; by Mr. Flint of Chelmsford, of the selectmen of North Reading; by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of the selectmen of Brewster; by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of the chairman of the selectmen of Barnstable; by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of the selectmen and town clerk of Watertown; and by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of the selectmen and town clerk of Plymouth, — severally, for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Turners Falls
fire district.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ripley of Montague, of the Turners Falls fire district in aid of the petition of S. E. Ripley for authority to be included within the provisions of the Australian Ballot Act. To the committee on Election Laws.

Woodcock.

Petition, presented by Mr. Thomas of Brockton, of Henry F. Thayer and others that the period between October 1 and January 1 may be fixed as the open season for woodcock, etc.

Buzzard's Bay,
—fisheries.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, of the Southern Massachusetts Fish and Game League against the order relative to amending chapter 192 of the Acts of 1886, concerning fisheries in Buzzard's Bay.

Id.

Remonstrance, presented by the same gentleman, of the Southern Massachusetts Fish and Game League against the petition of Lilburne Hiller for an amendment of chapter 192 of the Acts of 1886, relative to the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay.

Remonstrance, presented by the same gentleman, of the Southern Massachusetts Fish and Game League against the petition of John W. Gifford for the repeal of chapter 193 of the Acts of 1887, relative to the protection of the fisheries in the waters of the town of Westport.

Town of
Westport,—
fisheries.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of Francis V. Balch and others for the enactment of legislation respecting registry of deeds and titles. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Registration of
land titles.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of George Dutton and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of establishing an independent school of medicine. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Independent
school of
medicine.

Petition, presented by Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, of P. J. McDonald that Charlotte E. Alden may be made eligible to receive State aid, on account of the burial expenses of her husband, who served in the rebellion. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Charlotte E.
Alden.

Petition, presented by Mr. Babson of Gloucester, of citizens of Gloucester in aid of the petition for an appropriation to the Woman's Charity Club Hospital of Boston. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Woman's
Charity Club
Hospital of
Boston.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of S. K. Hamilton and others in aid of a petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic.

Use and sale of
arsenic.

Petition, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of William W. Bartlett of Boston that chapter 313 of the Acts of 1885 may be amended so that registered pharmacists may make sales, except of liquor, whenever public necessity requires.

Pharmacists.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of Edwin Netherwood and others in aid of the petition of William Whiting, relating to Willimansett bridge. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Willimansett
bridge between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of A. Bradley and others in aid of the petition for the enactment of laws compelling personal property to bear its just share of burdens of taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of
personal
property.

City of Salem
and town of
Beverly.—
water supply.

Petition, presented by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, of William D. Sohier of Beverly and William H. Stearns of Salem, for authority for the city of Salem and the town of Beverly to take land to preserve their water supply. To the committee on Water Supply.

Woman
suffrage.

Petition, presented by Mr. Taft of Worcester, of the Worcester Woman's Suffrage League and others that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Cape Cod
Canal Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Salter of Lynn, of John Weir and associates for a charter as the Cape Cod Canal Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioners had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Salter, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
—bridge across
the reserved
channel on
South Boston
flats.

A petition, presented by Mr. Charles of Boston, of the mayor of Boston, relative to building a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston flats and the payment of a portion of the expense by the Commonwealth, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioners had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Hoosac Tunnel
and Wilmington
Railroad
Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ramage of Holyoke, of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company for authority to increase its capital stock, to consolidate with Deerfield Valley Railroad, and to issue bonds, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions of said

rule. On motion of Mr. Ramage, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Flood of North Adams, of C. Q. Richmond, president of Hoosac Valley Street Railway Company, for authority for the issue of mortgage bonds for refunding bonds of a prior issue and its floating debt, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the petition came within the provisions of Joint Rule 9, and that the petitioner had not complied with the provisions of said rule. On motion of Mr. Flood, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Hoosac Valley
Street Railway
Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Brown of West Brookfield, of John W. Tyler and others, in aid of the petition of George H. Brown, for a law allowing owners of land to arrest trespassers. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Trespassing on
land.

A Bill, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, concerning the Association for the Protection of Destitute Roman Catholic Children, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that a petition covering the same ground had been substituted by consent for said bill, and recommending that the petition be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. The petition, with the bill, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Association for
the Protection
of Destitute
Roman Catholic
Children in
Boston.

The following order, offered by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws in relation to voting for overseers of Harvard College as to provide that the Australian system (so-called) of voting may or shall be used in whole or in part in such voting, and also as to provide that graduates of said college and its professional schools may vote at all elections using said system or voting by letter as well as in person, —

Overseers of
Harvard
College.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that a petition covering the same ground had been sub-

stituted by consent for said order, and recommending that the petition be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. The petition relative to the legislation contemplated was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Court house at Taunton.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Mott of Taunton, of S. N. Staples and others, and of William Reed and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of William E. Fuller and others for an additional appropriation for the erection and completion of a court house at Taunton. To the committee on County Estimates.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Offered by Mr. Dickinson of Springfield, —

Damages caused by dogs to domestic animals.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1889, relative to the fees allowed to appraisers appointed to assess damages caused by dogs to sheep and domestic animals, so as to provide, in addition to the fees therein named, compensation for the necessary travel of such appraisers and the cost for administering the oath to the same required by law.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Public schools, — quarter-mill tax.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of a quarter-mill State tax for the benefit and support of the public schools of this Commonwealth.

Offered by Mr. Capen of Stoughton, —

Registrars to serve as election officers.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 423, Acts of 1890, section 18, relating to elections, so that registrars may serve as inspectors, deputy inspectors, ballot clerks or tellers at any State or municipal election.

Offered by Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Boston harbor, — marking of rocks, bars and places dangerous for yachts.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of providing for the marking of rocks, bars and places dangerous for yachts in and about Boston harbor, so as to secure greater protection for small boats.

Offered by Mr. Hunting of East Bridgewater, —

Intoxicating liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that no person, in a

town of less than 5,000 inhabitants, shall be granted a license to sell intoxicating liquors within one-half mile of any steam railroad grade crossing.

Offered by Mr. Withington of Newburyport, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of extending the provisions of section 11 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to the formation of corporations by general law, so as to authorize the establishment and operation of corporations for the purpose of generating and furnishing hydrostatic pressure for mechanical power.

Formation of corporations for the purpose of furnishing hydrostatic pressure for mechanical power.

Offered by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 330 of the Acts of the year 1884, concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, by requiring that every such corporation not excepted in section 4 of said act, if it shall increase or reduce its capital stock, shall, within sixty days thereafter, file in the office of the commissioner of corporations of the Commonwealth a certificate of that fact, under penalty provided in section 3 of said act, or other suitable penalty, and further requiring that said certificate shall set forth the amount of its capital stock as it stands fixed by the corporation and the amount then paid up; and if any part of the payment of such increase of capital stock has been made otherwise than in money, the statement shall set forth the particulars thereof in such form and with such detail as the commissioner of corporations shall require and approve, and shall be subscribed and sworn to by its president, treasurer and by a majority of its directors or officers having the powers usually exercised by directors.

Capital stock of foreign corporations.

Offered by Mr. Stearns of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 404 of the Acts of 1890, entitled "An Act relating to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in cities," or of enacting new legislation, so as to give more extensive powers than are named in said chapter 404 to the supervisor of electric wires established in the city of Boston under the provisions of said chapter.

City of Boston, — supervisor of electric wires.

Corporation
names.

Offered by Mr. Clark of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will prevent the issuing of a certificate of incorporation under a name so similar to the name of a corporation already in existence, or to the name of any corporation in existence at any time within the three years next preceding such issuing of certificate, as to be misleading and cause confusion.

Acts and
Resolves.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of amending chapter 440 of the Acts of 1889, relating to the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents, so as to provide for an enlarged distribution of the Acts and Resolves of the General Court.

State board of
road engi-
neers.

Offered by Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of establishing a State board of road engineers, who shall have supervision of the construction and repairs of all roads in this Commonwealth leading from town to town, town to city, or city to town; and of providing for a mileage payment, from the State treasury, to cities and towns constructing such roads in accordance with the orders, and to the approval of said State board, and of providing proper compensation for said board and allowances for its expenses and its necessary assistants.

Veteran
firemen's
associations.

Offered by Mr. Mahoney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of extending the provisions of chapter 60 of the Acts of 1885, relating to the leasing of quarters in public buildings by cities and towns to Grand Army posts, so that quarters in public buildings may also be leased to veteran firemen's associations.

Trees.

Offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit the defacement of trees and defilement of the public highways, and also the shores of the Commonwealth, by any and all advertisements.

Woman
suffrage, —
intoxicating
liquors.

Offered by Mr. Emery of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of providing that women qualified to

vote for school committee be given the right to vote on the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of giving to any person to whom a debt is due for materials furnished in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, the right of subrogation to all the rights of the contractor with the owner of such real estate, including power to enforce any lien or contract existing between such contractor and owner for the erection, alteration and repair of such building or structure.

Mechanics' liens for materials furnished.

Offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 94 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to proceedings where a party taking an appeal or an exception neglects to enter the question in the Supreme Judicial Court, so that it shall apply to appeals and exceptions allowed by the Superior Court.

Superior court, — appeals and exceptions.

Offered by the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relating to the service of trustee writs issuing from police, district or municipal courts, and of amending section 28 of chapter 161 of the Public Statutes, relating to the service of writs on public bodies and joint owners, and section 7 of chapter 183 of the Public Statutes, relating to trustee writs issuing from the courts above mentioned.

Police, district and municipal courts, — trustee writs.

Offered by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that a verdict shall be returned to court upon the agreement of three-fourths of a jury in any case.

Jury verdicts.

Offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation to provide that the amount of the recognizance required from a debtor arrested on mesne process or execution may be fixed by the court in its discretion, and that the Public Statutes, chapter 162, section 28, relating to such recognizance, be amended accordingly, or that other relief may be granted.

Arrests on mesne process.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that the legislation desired was not stated in conformity with House Rules Nos. 28 and 39, and recommending that the order be amended by striking out, in line 3, the word "and":—

Rights of joint
owners of
personal
property.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relating to the rights of joint owners of personal property and to provide for a sale or division of such property and determination of the rights of the joint owners, in certain cases.

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was then adopted.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted:—

Employers'
liability.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the provisions as to notice contained in chapter 155 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, so that the provision as to notice will read as follows:—
"The notice required by this section shall be in writing, signed by the person injured or by some one in his behalf; but if by lack of knowledge of the law or of the extent of the employee's injury, or from physical or mental incapacity, it is impossible for the person injured to give the notice within the time provided in said section, he may give the same within ten days after such incapacity is removed or such knowledge is acquired, if within six months from the time of injury; and in case of his death without having given the notice and without having been for ten days at any time after his injury of sufficient capacity to give the notice, his executor or administrator may give such notice within six months after his appointment."

The following order, offered by Mr. Presho of Boston, came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be rejected, as the legislation desired is not stated in conformity with House Rules Nos. 28 and 39:—

City of Boston,
— building laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of codifying and arranging the building laws of the city of Boston and reporting such amendments thereto as the committee shall deem proper.

At the request of Mr. Presho, the order was laid over until to-morrow.

The following order, offered by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park : —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for an educational exhibit at the World's Columbian Exposition to be held at Chicago. Educational exhibit at the World's Columbian Exposition.

The following order, offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline : —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887, being an Act to amend and codify the statutes relating to insurance, by striking out in the standard form of policy, prescribed in section 60 of said act, the words "which amount if not agreed upon shall be ascertained by award of referees, as hereinafter provided," and the words "and of such reference, unless waived by the parties, shall be a condition precedent to any right of action in law or equity to recover for such loss." Insurance, — standard form of policy.

The following order, offered by Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park : —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of requesting the Secretary of the Commonwealth to tabulate the statistics relating to roads and bridges collected under a joint order of the Legislature of 1889, and to cause them to be printed for the use of the Legislature. Secretary of the Commonwealth, — statistics relating to roads and bridges.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be rejected, as the legislation desired is not stated in conformity with House Rules Nos. 28 and 39 : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to amend the law relating to appeals in equity and to carrying questions of law in equity causes to the Supreme Judicial Court. Supreme Judicial court, — questions of law in equity causes.

At the request of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the order was laid over until to-morrow.

Papers from the Senate.

Boston, city of,
— police de-
partment.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1887, being an Act to provide for pensioning members of the Boston police department, as to provide: (1) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of the city of Boston who has served twenty years or more; (2) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who has been permanently injured while in discharge of his duties; (3) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who shall have reached the age of sixty years; and (4) For the payment of such persons from a police pension fund, supplied by annual appropriation of the city of Boston.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
choice of
physicians in
applications for
relief.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the relief of soldiers and sailors and the widows and minor children of soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States during the war of the rebellion, so as to provide that the choice of an attending physician, in case such relief is furnished, may be made by the beneficiary assisted under the said act.

Suffolk County,
— truant
schools.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 282 of the Acts of the year 1886, relative to the establishment of schools for truants and absentees from school in the county of Suffolk, at places removed from institutions occupied by criminal or vicious persons, by inserting in the fourth line of said section the word "adult," before the words "criminal or vicious persons."

The House Order: —

Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage
Corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, as defined by chapter 427 of the Acts of 1889, so as to give him general supervision of other foreign cor-

porations doing business in this State, and especially of those selling stocks and bonds and securities other than mortgages, —

Came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments and asked for a committee of conference. On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the House concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and Messrs. Bennett of Everett, Tucker of New Bedford and McEttrick of Boston, were appointed as the committee on the part of the House, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, who were instructed to examine the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, that they had examined all the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and found the same to correspond strictly with the schedulê thereof; and that they had also examined the cash on hand in the office of the treasurer and certified by cashiers of the several banks of deposit, and found the same correct, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stearns of Salem.

Securities in the hands of the treasurer.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Alley, 5th, for compensation for services performed during the war of the Rebellion as an officer of an unattached company of infantry, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

John Alley, 5th.

A Bill to incorporate the Gloucester Board of Trade (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Gloucester Board of Trade.

Part I of the twenty-first annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, relating to the Labor Laws of Massachusetts; and

Bureau of Statistics of Labor,—labor laws.

Part II of the twenty-first annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, relating to the population of Massachusetts;

Bureau of Statistics of Labor,—population.

Were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor.

Petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin and others that a joint special committee be appointed to investigate the workings of the lobby during the last three years and to

West End Street Railway Company,—investigation of the evidence and

witnesses connected with the investigation last year.

investigate the investigation made in the year 1890 by legislative committees touching the work of the lobby in connection with the West End Street Railway Company, and report such bill or bills as may be required to remove said evils. To the joint committee on Rules.

Use of arsenic in paper and textile fabrics.

A petition of Charles L. Tilden and others for the regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and sale of paper, textile fabrics and other articles in the manufacture of which arsenical matter is used, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

City of Waltham, — water debt.

The House petition of the mayor of Waltham, that the city may be allowed to issue bonds to refund its water debt, referred by the House to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement "referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply." On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, the House receded from its reference of the petition to the committee on Cities, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Water Supply, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Capital punishment.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing some other form of capital punishment than execution by hanging.

Stallions.

By Mr. Smith of Amherst, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that proof of the soundness of a stallion advertised for services should be a certificate from a veterinary surgeon.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

William Washburn.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the estate of the late William Washburn.

George P. Guerrier.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of George P. Guerrier ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on State Library. Finance, that the Senate Bill (introduced on leave) to provide clerical assistance for the State Library ought to pass.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, Mary Briggs. that the Resolve in favor of Mary Briggs ought to pass.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, George Hayden. that the Resolve in favor of George Hayden ought to pass.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, Charles A. Dearborn. that the Resolve in favor of Charles A. Dearborn ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Clerical assistance for the justices of the supreme judicial court. Judiciary, on orders, a Bill to provide clerical assistance for the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Orders of the day. State Primary School at Monson ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and the

Resolve providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ; and

To authorize the county commissioners of Plymouth County to borrow a sum of money in addition to that

now allowed by law for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in Brockton ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, at three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 11, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Member Qualified.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting the certificate of election of Roger Haggerty, representative-elect from the seventh Suffolk representative district, which was read and placed on file; and Mr. Haggerty, representative-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Cannon of Boston was appointed a committee, who conducted him to the council chamber, and Mr. Haggerty having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Member qualified, — Roger Haggerty, seventh Suffolk representative district.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of Edwin C. Miller and 72 others of Middlesex County; by Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, of the town officers of Southborough; by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of the selectmen and town clerk of Lincoln, and of the selectmen of Lexington; by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of the selectmen, town clerk, town treasurer, assessors and constable of the town of Westminster; by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of the selectmen, town clerk, treasurer, collector and auditor of the town of Rochester; by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of the selectmen of Orleans; by Mr. Smith of Mansfield, of the selectmen and treasurer of the town of Mansfield; and by Mr. Longley of Dana, of C. H. Parker and 14 others, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

City of
Worcester.

Petition, presented by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, of the mayor of Worcester, for the payment to said city of an assessment levied upon property of the Commonwealth in said city. To the committee on Education.

Town of
Orleans,—
fisheries.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of Beriah Doone and others, and of John G. Rodgers and others, — severally, against the passage of an act to prohibit the taking of fish by nets in the inland waters of Orleans.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Manufacture of
gas and
electricity by
cities and towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Herrod of Brockton, of James S. Abbott and others, in aid of the petition that cities and towns may be enabled to manufacture gas and electricity. To the committee on Manufactures.

Use and sale of
arsenic.

Petition, presented by Mr. Monk of Brockton, of Ziba C. Keith and others; by Mr. Meade of Salem, of S. E. Sherman and others; by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, of Denton G. Woodvine and others; by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of S. Saummarsh and others; by Mr. Carter of Lawrence, of William R. Pedrick and others; and by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of D. S. Coles and others, — severally, in aid of a petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Woman
suffrage.

Petition, presented by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of the Hyde Park Suffrage League, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

T. Frederick
Martin.

A petition, presented by Mr. Dewey of Boston, of T. Frederick Martin for compensation for use by the Commonwealth of ballot alleged to be copyrighted to him, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Dewey the 12th joint rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Election Laws, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Bridget Smith.

A petition, presented by Mr. Swallow of Boston, of Bridget Smith for State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions

of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Swallow the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Lawrence, of the Merrimack Valley Horse Railroad Company, that its name may be changed to Merrimack Valley Street Railway Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem the 12th joint rule was suspended, and on further motions of the same gentleman the 9th joint rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference with instructions.

Merrimack
Valley Horse
Railroad Com-
pany.

A petition, presented by Mr. Britton of Stoughton, of the selectmen of the town of Randolph, that said town may be enabled to appropriate \$200 to James Halpin and Michael Lynch, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Britton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Ran-
dolph.

A petition, presented by Mr. Swallow of Boston, of the Marble Dealers' Association, for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work when set up in cemeteries, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Swallow the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Lien law, —
monumental
work in ceme-
teries.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of the selectmen of Harwich, that the town may be relieved from supporting the Bass River upper and lower bridges, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kenrick the 12th joint rule was suspended, by a vote of 77 to 5, and the petition was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of Or-
leans.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester :—

Adulteration of
malt liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of enacting a law to prevent the adulteration of malt liquors by using in the brewing thereof substitutes for malt and hops which are injurious to health; also to provide for the inspection of malt liquors, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that the order be amended by striking out the words “the Liquor Law” and inserting in place thereof the words “Public Health.” The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Turner of Malden :—

Grade
crossings.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 428 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the abolition of grade crossings, by striking out in line 8 the words “directors of the company,” and inserting in place thereof the words “railroad commissioners,” so that a decision involving a change in the grade of the railroad may be made with the consent of the railroad commissioners without requiring the consent of the directors of the company, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Turner the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hinds of Webster :—

District court to
include the
towns of
Webster,
Oxford, Dudley
and Sutton.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a district court embracing in its jurisdiction the towns of Webster, Oxford, Dudley and Sutton, and of modifying the acts establishing the central district court of Worcester and the first district court of southern Worcester accordingly, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hinds the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

The following order, offered by Mr. Clark of Palmer : —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts and Resolves of 1890, concerning the abolition of grade crossings, so that when grades are separated and a public way crosses a railroad by an overhead bridge, the expense of maintaining and keeping the surface of the bridge in repair shall be borne in whole or in part by the railroad company, —

Grade crossings.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. The order was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887, being an act to amend and codify the statutes relating to insurance, by striking out in the standard form of policy prescribed in section 60 of said act the words " which amount if not agreed upon shall be ascertained by award of referees as hereinafter provided," and the words " and such reference unless waived by the parties shall be a condition precedent to any right of action in law or equity to recover for such loss."

Insurance, — standard form of policy.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to amend the law relating to appeals in equity and to carrying questions of law in equity causes to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Appeals in equity.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, offered by Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection : —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of requesting the Secretary of the Commonwealth to tabulate the statistics relating to roads and bridges collected under a joint order of the Legislature of 1889, and to cause them to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — statistics relating to roads and bridges.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Educational exhibit at the World's Columbian Exposition.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for an educational exhibit at the World's Columbian Exposition to be held at Chicago.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by striking out the word "Education" and inserting in place thereof the words "Federal Relations." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston : —

City of Boston, — building laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of codifying and arranging the building laws of the city of Boston, and reporting such amendments thereto as the committee shall deem proper.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate order : —

City of Boston, — exemption from the civil service law of first assistants and deputies of departments.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that persons appointed as first assistants, or deputies, of departments of the city of Boston be exempt from the civil service law, —

Adopted, in concurrence, by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the House receded from its amendment, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate :

Salary of the judge of the Brookline police court.

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the judge of the police court of Brookline ; and

Salary of the clerk of the Brookline police court.

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the police court of Brookline ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Topographical survey and map of Massachusetts.

A Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (reported on the report of the Topographical Survey Commission), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Topographical Survey Commission (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Topographical
Survey Commission.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petitions of Charles Dallingham and others, and of C. Waldo Bates and others, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Constitutional
Amendments,—
division of
towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition of the school committee of the city of Lowell for an amendment of section 2 of chapter 433 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language, so that the provisions of said section shall apply to employers of minors, even though said minors are not regularly employed and have not been residents for one year since reaching the age of 14 years. To the committee on Labor.

Employment of
minors.

Petition of James Daley and others that the "Ironstone" station on the New York and New England Railroad be discontinued and a new station at South Uxbridge established. To the committee on Railroads.

New York and
New England
Railroad,—
new station at
South
Uxbridge.

Remonstrance of the Historical Society of Watertown against annexing a portion of said town to the city of Newton. To the committee on Towns.

Annexation of a
part of the town
of Watertown
to the city of
Newton.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of the city of Cambridge for an act to annex to said city a certain part of the town of Belmont. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Monk of Brockton, and sent up for concurrence.

City of
Cambridge,—
town of
Belmont.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relating to the transfer of certain military property to the Massachusetts Agricultural College ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

New Bedford
Gas Light
Company.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the New Bedford Gas Light Company to change its corporate name.

Massachusetts
Homœopathic
Hospital.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital to hold additional property.

Consumptives'
Home.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the trustees of the Consumptives' Home to hold additional real and personal estate.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing some other form of capital punishment than execution by hanging, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that proof of the soundness of a stallion advertised for service should be a certificate from a veterinary surgeon, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Alley, 5th, for compensation for services performed during the war of the Rebellion as an officer of an unattached company of infantry, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To provide clerical assistance for the State Library;
and

To incorporate the Gloucester Board of Trade;

Resolves:

In favor of George Hayden;

In favor of Charles A. Dearborn;

In favor of the estate of the late William Washburn ;

In favor of Mary Briggs ; and

In favor of George P. Guerrier ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Death of Hon. Marcus Morton.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston announced the death of Hon. Marcus Morton, Ex-Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and offered the following order, which was unanimously adopted :—

Death of Marcus Morton, Ex-Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Ordered, That a committee of five, of which the Speaker shall be chairman, be appointed to attend the funeral of the late Hon. Marcus Morton, from January 16, 1882, until August 27, 1890, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and also to prepare suitable resolutions in memory of the deceased.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the committee : The Speaker and Messrs. Kittredge of Boston, Tuttle of Arlington, Appleton of Peabody, and Warren of Boston.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Kittredge, at twelve minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 12, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

The Chair.

The chair.

The Speaker stated that he would be absent to-morrow, and appointed Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill to occupy the chair during his absence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, was rejected by a vote of 81 to 48, two-thirds of the members not having voted in the affirmative:—

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be allowed to visit the cities of Philadelphia and Wheeling in the discharge of their duties.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Bridge across
Cohasset
Narrows.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of S. C. Bassett and others, of D. W. Robbins and others, of Ebenezer Nye and others, of A. H. Fuller and others, of W. L. Douglass and others, and of George P. Briggs and others,—severally, in aid of the petition of P. H. Phinney and others, for a highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Lexington Print
Works.

Petition, presented by Mr. Howard of Newton, of Charles Buffum and others for an act of incorporation as the Lexington Print Works with the privilege of issuing both common and preferred stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, of the Excelsior Chemical Engine Co. No. 4 of Provincetown in aid of the petition for an annual appropriation for the benefit of disabled firemen. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petition, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of William N. Weeden and others; and by Mr. Barrett of Malden, of Joseph F. Wiggin and others, — severally, in aid of a petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic.

Use and sale of
arsenic.

Petition, presented by Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, of G. W. Snow and others, in aid of the petition for legislation to protect the community from the spread of malignant contagious diseases.

Contagious
diseases.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of J. L. Peters and others, that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of
personal
property.

Petition, presented by Mr. Tilton of Natick, of the Willard W. C. T. U., that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections, and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman
suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, of the city of Springfield, that sinking fund commissioners elected under the general law relating to municipal indebtedness may hold the sinking fund required by the special act to supply Springfield with water, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gillett the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of
Springfield.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of Lucy Stone and others for the use of the hall of the House of Representatives to enable members to hear the arguments of the petitioners in behalf of municipal suffrage for women. To the committee on Rules.

Use of the hall
of the House of
Representatives
by petitioners
for woman
suffrage.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Uniform system
of inferior
courts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of revising and amending all existing laws relating to the inferior judiciary, to wit: the police, district and municipal courts and trial justices, so as to provide for the organization of a uniform system of inferior courts throughout the Commonwealth with a more extended jurisdiction than at present.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate order, —

Investigation of
the financial
conduct and dis-
bursement for
normal schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of inquiring into and investigating the financial conduct and disbursement for the normal schools of the Commonwealth; and, if they deem it to be expedient, that they be authorized to make such inquiry and investigation and send for persons and papers, —

Adopted in concurrence by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton the House insisted on its amendment, and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Parkhurst of Clinton, Sohler of Beverly and Barrett of Malden were appointed as the committee on the part of the House, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Sale and use of
arsenic.

Petition of O. O. Roberts and others, and of Frederick K. Ayer and others, — severally, for the regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and sale of paper, textile fabrics and other articles in the manufacture of which arsenical matter is used.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Woman
suffrage.

Petitions of the Worcester Prohibition Club, and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Worcester, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

A petition of C. D. Morse and others for an act of incorporation as the Millbury Water and Illuminating Company for the purpose of furnishing the inhabitants of the town of Millbury with pure water, with electricity for light, heat and power, and with gas for all lawful purposes, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules. The House concurred and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Millbury Water and Illuminating Company.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide that no body shall be embalmed until the physician's certificate of the cause of death shall be obtained, said certificate to be approved by the board of health.

Use of embalming fluid without physician's certificate approved by board of health.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board for leave to hold public sales at their auction room of real estate or personal property situated in any city or town within ten miles of Boston.

Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board.

By Mr. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, no legislation necessary, on the petition of Charles E. Symonds relating to the appointment of commissioners to adjudge cases of insanity.

Commissioners to adjudge cases of insanity.

By Mr. Gammons of Rochester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to permitting owners of woodlands or their children to shoot or trap game in the open season on their own lands.

Shooting and trapping of game by owners of woodlands.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 6 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes concerning lists of jurors.

Town of Nantucket, — lists of jurors.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

District police.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the District Police.

State Farm at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater.

Trees.

By Mr. Bill of Paxton, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill relative to preserving ornamental and shade trees on the highways.

Richard F. Tobin.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill concerning the salary of the late Richard F. Tobin of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the city of Boston.

Proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks in Edgartown.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks in Edgartown to fish by means of seines in Katama Bay.

First Universalist meeting house of Salem.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Proprietors of the First Universalist Meeting House, Salem, Mass., to hold property to the amount of forty thousand dollars, exclusive of value of church and land appurtenant thereto.

Consolidation of the Fitchburg and Monadnock Railroad Companies.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (recommitted) to authorize the consolidation of the Fitchburg and Monadnock Railroad Companies ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Clerical assistance for the justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.
State Board of Arbitration.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide clerical assistance for the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court ought to pass.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the printing of five hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Arbitration ought to pass.

Westborough Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for deficiencies in the current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Topographical Survey Commission ought to pass. Topographical
Survey Com-
mission.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Prouty of Scituate, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Matthew O'Herrin. Matthew
O'Herrin. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the judge of the police court of Brookline ; and Orders of the
day.

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the police court of Brookline ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital to hold additional property ;

To authorize the New Bedford Gas Light Company to change its corporate name ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Consumptives' Home to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Resolves :

Relating to the transfer of certain military property to the Massachusetts Agricultural College ; and

In relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves :

In favor of George Hayden ;

In favor of Charles A. Dearborn ;

In favor of the estate of the late William Washburn ;

In favor of Mary Briggs ; and

In favor of George P. Guerrier ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide clerical assistance for the State Library;
and

To incorporate the Gloucester Board of Trade;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, at twenty-seven minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 13, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M., Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Petitions, presented by Mr. Wright of Duxbury, of the selectmen and town clerk of Kingston; by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of the selectmen of Harwich; by Mr. Lord of Athol, of the selectmen, town clerk, treasurer and chairman of assessors of Royalston, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Luther of New Bedford, of Jesse H. Jones and others, in aid of the petition for the incorporation of colleges and literary institutions by general law. To the committee on Education. Incorporation of colleges and literary institutions by general law.

Petition, presented by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of Cornelius H. Leonard and others, in aid of the petition that the period from October 1st to January 1st may be fixed as the open season for woodcock, etc. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Woodcock.

Petitions, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of John J. Carroll and others, and of Mrs. B. A. Flower and others, — severally, for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital. Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wilder of Leominster, of the Leominster Suffrage League; by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of the Belmont Suffrage League; and by Mr. Woman suffrage.

Day of Boston, of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections, and for all town and city officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Alonzo D.
Fisher.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of the selectmen of Edgartown, that Alonzo D. Fisher may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mayhew the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Debts of wage
earners.

Petition, presented by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, of George R. Page and others, in aid of the bill relating to the privilege of debts by wage earners. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Contested elec-
tion, — James
D. Doherty,
seventh Suffolk
representative
district.

Petition, presented by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, of James D. Doherty for a recount of votes in the 7th Suffolk District, and that he may be declared to be the representative from that district. To the committee on Elections.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Herrod of Brockton, was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Militia, —
allowance for
travelling
expenses.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 128 of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887, relating to allowances for travel of the militia, by striking out in line 24 the words “and majors” and inserting in place thereof the words “majors and adjutants,” so as to make provision for an allowance of mileage to adjutants under the same circumstances in which an allowance would be made to majors.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Carroll of Blackstone : —

Sounding of
locomotive
whistles.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 334 of the Acts of 1885,

relative to authorizing the Railroad Commissioners to forbid or regulate the sounding of locomotive whistles in certain cases, so as to make the provisions thereof apply to the sounding of whistles for the purpose of calling in flagmen, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Carroll the 12th joint rule was suspended by a vote of 92 to 11, and the order was adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bullock of Fall River: —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game Birds and game. consider the expediency, first, of amending section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886, relating to the taking or killing of game birds, hares or rabbits, so as to make the setting of any trap, snare or net adapted for the taking or killing of a game bird, water fowl, hare or rabbit presumptive evidence of such setting with intent to take or kill contrary to law, or of amending said section in such other way as will more effectually prevent the destruction of game by traps, snares and nets; second, of repealing chapter 300 of the Acts of 1887, providing that owners of land may set traps and snares on their own land, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bullock the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Drainage be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Drainage.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs Minority stockholders in manufacturing corporations. consider the expediency of legislation to further protect the interests of minority stockholders in manufacturing corporations in this State, and to enable them to obtain information as to the financial condition of such corporations, —

Came down with the endorsement "adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words 'committee on Mercantile Affairs,' and inserting in place thereof the

words 'joint committee on the Judiciary,' in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Property held
in trust by cities
and towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of authorizing towns to elect a board of trustees to have the custody and management, except in cases where it is by law otherwise provided, of funds and property held by towns in trust under the laws of the Commonwealth, —

Came down with the endorsement "adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words 'committee on Towns,' and inserting in place thereof the words 'joint committee on the Judiciary,' in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage
Corporations.

The House order relative to legislation to extend the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, came down with the endorsement that Messrs. McNary, Haggerty and Smith were appointed as the committee of conference on the part of that branch on the disagreeing votes of the two branches.

State House
Commission.

A report of the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Commission on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending December 31, 1890, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Grade cross-
ings.

A Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings (reported on an order and a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

State Board of
Lunacy and
Charity.

Relating to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the Board of Lunacy and Charity (reported on an order) ; and

Salary of assist-
ant register of
probate and
insolvency for
Suffolk County.

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk (reported on petitions) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The annual report of the Railroad Commissioners was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads. Railroad Commissioners.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea for authority to issue bonds, notes or scrip and to apply the same, and the existing sinking fund for the payment of the city debt; also to establish new sinking funds; and also for legislation providing for the payment of special loans, through the annual tax rate. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. City of Chelsea.

Petition of James Gifford and others, citizens of Provincetown, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petition of the Brighton Woman Suffrage League, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

The House petition of the selectmen of Harwich that the town may be relieved from supporting the Bass River upper and lower bridges, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, the petition was referred to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence. Town of Harwich, — Bass River bridges.

A petition (taken from the files of last year) of David H. Clark and others for the passage of an act to suppress fraud in alleged spirit manifestations, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Fraud in alleged spirit manifestations.

The House petition of the mayor, aldermen and common councilmen of the city of Gloucester for an amendment of the charter of the Gloucester Water Supply Company, so that the vote to purchase the works of said company by the city can be taken at any election for the choice of city officers, referred by the House to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply. On motion of Mr. Babson of Gloucester, the Gloucester Water Supply Company.

House receded from its reference to the committee on Cities and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Water Supply, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of
Watertown.

The House petition of the selectmen of Watertown to take real estate along the line of Treadaway Brook, so called, in Watertown, referred by the House to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Towns and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the petition was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Procedure in
poor debtor
matters.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to amending chapter 162 of the Public Statutes, and chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to procedure in poor debtor matters, and of inserting after the words "trial justice" wherever they occur in the several sections of said act the words "or masters in chancery," and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency. Read and accepted.

Nautical school
to be established
at the port of
Boston.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Federal Relations, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of securing a vessel of the navy for the benefit of the nautical school to be established at the port of Boston. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Mr. Sohler of Beverly, from the joint committee on Rules, to whom were referred the messages of the Governor, transmitting documents containing recommendations and suggestions of the heads of the several departments of the State, and who were instructed to report recommending the reference of the various portions thereof to the appropriate committees, reported as follows:—

1. That so much thereof as relates to the amendment of chapter 413 of the Acts of 1889, and the communication of the Secretary of State suggesting the amendment of sections 16 to 19, inclusive, of said chapter, so as to provide for the correction of mistakes in the marking and delivery of ballots, be referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Recommendations and suggestions of heads of State departments.

2. That so much thereof as relates to the trust deposits in the custody of the treasurer, and the communication of the treasurer relative to the character, care and management of such deposits, be referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

That so much thereof as relates to the sum of \$15,000 received from the United States, and the communication of the treasurer relating to the acceptance and compliance with the terms of an act of Congress "to apply a portion of the proceeds of the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of the colleges for the benefit of agriculture and mechanic arts," and also to the receipt of money paid and to be paid under said act and the distribution thereof, be referred to the committee on Education.

3. That so much thereof as relates to an appropriation for the erection of buildings for the chronic insane upon land already purchased by the Commonwealth, with the communication of one of the commissioners for the purchase of said land, be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

4. That so much thereof as relates to additional legislation to secure the enforcement of the probation law and the establishment of an asylum for the confinement of insane criminals, with the letter of the secretary of the Prison Commissioners, be referred to the committee on Prisons.

5. That so much thereof as relates to the classification, employment and compensation of prisoners, together with the communication of the superintendent of prisons concerning the same, and also requesting changes in the law as to the purchase, repair and use of machinery in prisons and the establishment of workshops for houses of correction, be referred to the committee on Prisons.

6. That so much thereof as relates to labor in penal, correctional and reformatory institutions, together with the communication of the superintendent of the reformatory suggesting changes in the law to allow of the use of improved machinery and methods in the trade schools of said institution, be referred to the committee on Prisons.

7. That so much thereof as relates to providing elsewhere for certain classes of women now detained in the reformatory prison for women, together with the communication of the superintendent suggesting that old and feeble women be sent to the almshouses, the weak and feeble-minded to institutions adapted to their care, and the old and confirmed offenders to institutions where they will not corrupt others, be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

8. That so much thereof as relates to the erection of a cottage for little children, at Monson, together with the communication of the secretary of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform School calling attention to the unsanitary condition of that institution, be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

9. That so much thereof as relates to securing uniform legislation throughout the country to compel the use of automatic couplers and brakes on freight cars and to bringing the subject to the attention of Congress, and also for legislation to prevent persons walking on railroad tracks, together with the communication of the Board of Railroad Commissioners relative to such matters, be referred to the committee on Railroads.

10. That so much thereof as relates to the equalization of taxation, together with the communication of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture relating to the failure to tax personal property, be referred to the committee on Taxation.

(10 B.) That so much of said communication as relates to the destruction of the gypsy moth be referred to the committee on Agriculture.

That upon so much of such message and of said communication as relates to the coloring of oleomargarine no action is necessary, such subject matter having been already reported upon.

11. That so much thereof as relates to the method of appointing the pilot commissioners, their compensation and control, together with the communication of said commissioners, be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

12. That so much thereof as relates to the increase in appropriation for the Military and Naval Historian and the communication of such officer be referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

13. That so much thereof as relates to a revision of the

law in regard to town records, together with the communication of the commissioner calling attention to their condition and suggesting a revision of the law; the payment of a salary to town clerks, and a lengthening of their term of service; the payment by the State of the expenses of re-copying and preserving records; the passage of a law requiring the safer custody and control of such records; and requiring the fees of town clerks to be paid into the town treasury; and further suggesting that the papers and records of town collectors of taxes should be delivered to the proper authorities, be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

14. That so much thereof as relates to the abolishment of the trial justice system, together with the communication of the controller of county accounts on that subject, and also suggesting that Natick should be restored to the same jurisdiction as Framingham; that a few towns contiguous to the Middlesex central district should be included within the jurisdiction of the court of that district; that Dracut should be placed within the jurisdiction of the police court of Lowell; that Hudson should be placed within the jurisdiction of the Marlborough police court; that a district court should be established in Norfolk County, either at Dedham or at Hyde Park, be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

15. That so much as relates to the adding to the funds appropriated for the use of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission, of all deposits forfeited by contractors, together with the communication of the commissioners on that subject, be referred to the committee on Drainage.

16. That no action is necessary upon so much thereof as relates to the militia, reporting the same to be in excellent condition, and commending it for its past performance of duty, nor upon the communication of the Adjutant General stating that the militia is in an effective and satisfactory condition and in readiness for any emergency that may call it into activity.

By Mr. Hodges of Nahant, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the State Board of Health to establish a veterinary department or employ veterinary assistance as it may require it.

State Board of Health, — veterinary department.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

George F.
Littlefield Shoe
Company of
Turner's Falls.

By Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of The George F. Littlefield Shoe Company of Turner's Falls.

Harwich Port
Cemetery Asso-
ciation.

By Mr. Tilton of Natick, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Harwich Port Cemetery Association in the town of Harwich.

Exemption of
blind persons
from taxation.

By Mr. Edson of Barnstable, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition, a Bill to exempt blind persons from taxation.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notaries public.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to enlarge the jurisdiction of notaries public ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Civil Service
Commissioners.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to authorize the Civil Service Commissioners to summon witnesses and take testimony.

Accommoda-
tions for State
officers, boards
and commis-
sions.

By Mr. Rice of Worcester, from the committee on State House, on an order, a Resolve providing for the leasing of house numbered thirteen Beacon street, for the use of various commissions and boards.

Severally read, and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Murray of Fitchburg moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the following order:—

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be allowed to visit the cities of Philadelphia and Wheeling in the discharge of their duties.

After debate, the motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, Mr. Carter of Wakefield moved to amend by inserting, after the word "Wheeling," the words "and be instructed to visit the town of Danvers, Mass." After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. McEnaney of Boston. The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted by a vote of 127 to 24, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Boston Provident Association ; Bills enacted.

To authorize the Globe and Yarn Mills of Fall River to increase its capital stock ; and

To authorize the town of Duxbury to fund its debt and issue bonds therefor ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, Orders of the day.
on the petition of the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board for leave to hold public sales at their auction room of real estate or personal property situated in any city or town within ten miles of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, no legislation necessary, on the petition of Charles E. Symonds relating to the appointment of commissioners to adjudge cases of insanity ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary :

On the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game ; and

On an order relative to permitting owners of woodlands or their children to shoot or trap game in the open season on their own lands ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide that no body shall be embalmed until the physician's certificate of the cause of death shall be obtained, and that the certificate be approved by the board of health, was, on motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the District Police ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Relative to preserving ornamental and shade trees in the highways ;

To amend section 6 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes concerning lists of jurors ;

To authorize the consolidation of the Fitchburg and Monadnock Railroad Companies ;

Concerning the salary of the late Richard F. Tobin of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks in Edgartown to fish by means of seines in Katama Bay ; and

To provide clerical assistance for the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the printing of five hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Arbitration ; and

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Topographical Survey Commission ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the proprietors of the First Universalist Meeting House, Salem, Mass., to hold property to the amount of forty thousand dollars, exclusive of value of church and land appurtenant thereto, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by striking out the words "and possess ;" also in lines 6, 7, 8 and 9 of section 1, by striking out the words "such increase being demanded by the purchase of land and erection of chapel thereon, and for other contemplated improvements in the future." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital to hold additional property ;

To authorize the New Bedford Gas Light Company to change its corporate name ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Consumptives' Home to hold additional real and personal estate; and the

Resolve relating to the transfer of certain military property to the Massachusetts Agricultural College;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for deficiencies in the current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital, was read a third time, and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, —

At half-past two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 16, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lane of Springfield, —

Special report
of Commis-
sioners of
Savings Banks,
— savings bank
deposits.

Ordered, That the special report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks in response to an order of the House of Jan. 30, 1891, relative to the falling off in savings bank deposits in this State since Oct. 1, 1890, be printed as a House Document for the information of the Legislature.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Improvement of
the Charles
River basin.

Petition, presented by Mr. J. Otis Fallon of Boston, of the mayor of Boston, for legislation enabling the appointment of a commission to consider the subject of the improvement of the Charles River basin. To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. McFarland of Wales, of the chairman of the selectmen, town clerk, road commissioner, postmaster and other citizens of Longmeadow; and by Mr. Boodey of Wayland, of the chairman of the selectmen and other town officers of Sherborn, — severally, for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Insurance, —
reinsurance of
risks.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wilson of Boston, of Jordan, Marsh & Company and others, in aid of the order relative to the reinsurance of risks with companies not authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth. To the committee on Insurance.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Warren of Boston, of S. S. Learnard and others, and of Charles A. Lyford and others,—severally, in aid of the petition of Julia K. Dyer for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

Woman's
Charity Club
Hospital.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of L. A. Hulse and others against legislation regulating the practice of medicine by requiring the registration of medical degrees. To the committee on Public Health.

Practice of
medicine.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, of William L. Chase and others for incorporation as the State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Carpenter the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

State Street
Safe Deposit
and Trust
Company.

A petition presented by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of Joshua C. Robbins, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kenrick the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Joshua C.
Robbins.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, of the mayor of Boston, for such legislation as may be necessary to cause the grade crossing on Causeway and Travers streets to be abolished, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mitchell the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Boston,—
grade crossings
on Causeway
and Travers
streets.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, was adopted as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

First offence of
drunkenness.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending sections 25 to 29 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes and acts amendatory thereof, relating to drunkenness, so that a person charged with that offence before a municipal, police or district court, or a trial justice, shall be discharged without sentence if it appears to the satisfaction of such court or trial justice that said person has not been twice arrested for a like offence within the preceding twelve months.

The following order offered by Mr Wardwell of Haverhill: —

Corporations, —
change of
names.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of empowering the Commissioner of Corporations, upon due notice and hearing, to authorize corporations subject to the provisions of chapters 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, and 119 of the Public Statutes, relating to powers, duties and liabilities of corporations, and acts amendatory thereof, to change their names, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Wardwell the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Public Health.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

The following order came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, in which the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly: —

Sale of goods,
wares and
merchandise at
auction.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 449 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the sale of goods, wares and merchandise taken into a city or town to be sold by auction, by substituting the word "non" for the word "new" in the ninth line of said section, so as to provide that non-resident auctioneers must receive a permit to conduct auction sales.

Investigation of
the financial

The House order relative to an investigation of the financial conduct and disbursement for the normal schools

of the Commonwealth came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, and that Messrs. Champlin, Towle and McDonald had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell that she may be indemnified for injuries to which she has been subjected by State officials, and compensated for work she has done in exposing wrongs done those who cannot speak in their own behalf, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

To change the name of the Chollar, Putnam and Sprague Company;

To authorize the Nantucket Beach Street Railway Company to do business as a common carrier; and

To authorize the construction of a public bridge over an arm of West Falmouth harbor, in the town of Falmouth;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Orange to incur indebtedness beyond its debt limit to construct a system of sewers came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in section 1, line 15, by inserting after the word "thirteen" the words "twenty-five hundred dollars on the first day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House Order had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a district court embracing in its jurisdiction the towns of Webster, Oxford, Dudley and Sutton, and of modifying the acts establishing the central district court of Worcester and the first district court of southern Worcester accordingly.

conduct and disbursement of normal schools.

Lemira C. Pennell.

Chollar, Putnam and Sprague Company. Nantucket Beach Street Railway Company.

Bridge over an arm of West Falmouth harbor.

Town of Orange, — sewers.

District court to include the towns of Webster, Oxford, Dudley and Sutton.

Cape Cod Canal
Company.

Notice was also received that the House petition of John Weir and associates for a charter as the Cape Cod Canal Company had been referred, under the 9th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to legislation to regulate the practice of medicine by requiring the registration of medical degrees. The House refused to accept the report of the committee, and the order was recommitted, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

Report of the
Board of
Registration in
Pharmacy.

By Mr. Boodey of Wayland, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Printing and
distributing of
ballots for town
elections.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to amend section 13 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense.

Everett
Congregational
Society.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the acts and records of the Everett Congregational Society.

Town of
Needham, —
water loan.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills enacted and Resolves passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the Gloucester Safe Deposit and Trust Company in the city of Gloucester ;

To change the name of The Young Men's Christian Association Training School of Springfield ;

To authorize Frederick W. Dickinson and others to build a bridge over tide-water at Osterville in the town of Barnstable ; and

To establish the name of the Congregational Unitarian Society of Bernardston, to confirm its rights and to ratify its past proceedings ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Gloucester Board of Trade ; and

To provide clerical assistance for the State Library ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of securing a vessel of the navy for the benefit of a nautical school to be established at the port of Boston ; and

Resolves passed.

In favor of the widow of the late Joshua Phippen ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the State Board of Health to establish a veterinary department or employ veterinary assistance as it may require it ; and

Orders of the day.

Of the joint committee on Rules on the Governor's message of January 16, and the message supplemental thereto of January 30, transmitting documents from various State departments and officers ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the State House, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Commission on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Harwich Port Cemetery Association in the town of Harwich ;

To change the name of the George F. Littlefield Shoe Company of Turner's Falls ;

To enlarge the jurisdiction of notaries public ; and
 To amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the District Police ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;.

Relative to preserving ornamental and shade trees on the highways ;

To amend section 6 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes concerning lists of jurors in the counties of Nantucket and Dukes county (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the consolidation of the Fitchburg and Monadnock Railroad Companies ;

Concerning the salary of the late Richard F. Tobin of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the proprietors of the First Universalist Meeting House, Salem, Mass , to hold additional property (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks in Edgartown to fish by means of seines in Katama Bay ; and

To provide clerical assistance for the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court ; and the

Resolve providing for the printing of five hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Arbitration ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Topographical Survey Commission was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to exempt blind persons from taxation was read a third time and considered. Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1

the following: "Provided further, that no property shall be exempted which in the judgment of the assessors has been conveyed to such person for the purpose of evading taxation." The amendment was adopted. Pending the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Resolve providing for deficiencies in the current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital, being the unfinished business of Friday, was ordered to a third reading.

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Death of General William T. Sherman.

Mr. Carpenter of Brookline announced the death of General William T. Sherman, and offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted: —

General
William T.
Sherman.

Resolved, That this House has heard with deep regret of the death of Gen. William T. Sherman, late General in the United States army;

Resolved, That, to show our appreciation of his great services for his country and our admiration for his eminent abilities and personal character, there be placed upon the records of the House this testimonial to his great virtues and lofty patriotism;

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

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Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Carpenter, at eight minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 17, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were severally referred, as follows :—

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Twenty-eighth annual report of Massachusetts Agricultural College (Pub. Doc. 31). To the committee on Agriculture.

Commissioners
of Prisons.

Twentieth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (Pub. Doc. 13). To the committee on Prisons.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Message from the Governor.

Message from
the Governor,—
registration of
land titles.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor in relation to the subject of a thorough reform in our system of land registration and transfer, which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (House No. 94.)

Introduced on Leave.

Bail in criminal
cases.

By Mr. Lomasney of Boston, a Bill relating to bail in criminal cases. The committee on Rules reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Lomasney the 12th joint rule was suspended by a vote of 140 to 12, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Oleomargarine.

Petition, presented by Mr. Smith of Amherst, of James W. Stockwell and others, for an act forbidding the coloring of oleomargarine in imitation of butter. To the committee on Agriculture.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lakin of Westfield, of the selectmen and town clerk of Russell, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, of L. Z. Carpenter and 43 others, for the passage of a law permitting cities and towns to manufacture and furnish gas and electricity. To the committee on Manufactures.

Manufacture of gas and electricity by cities and towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, of F. N. Greely and others, in aid of the petition of Julia K. Dyer for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of A. Morton and 34 others of Paxton, in aid of the petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic.

Use and sale of arsenic.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of Lillie P. Young and others, against the passage of a law regulating the practice of medicine by the registration of medical degrees.

Practice of medicine.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition, presented by Mr. Smith of Amherst, of James W. Stockwell and others, in aid of the petition that personal property may be made to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of personal property.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bingham of Manchester, of Daniel W. Friend and others that the town of Manchester may be made a part of the judicial district under the jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bingham the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of Manchester to be included within the jurisdiction of the Gloucester police court.

A petition, presented by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, of Charles A. Dickinson, asking for an amendment of section 22 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, relative to the solemnization of marriage, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of

Solemnization of marriages.

Mr. Tucker the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Practice of
medicine.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of F. A. A. Heath and others against the passage of a law regulating the practice of medicine by the registration of medical degrees, was read on motion of Mr. Presbo of Boston, and on further motion of the same gentleman was placed on file.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Golding of Boston, was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

City of Boston,
— liquor
licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation compelling the officials vested with the power of granting liquor licenses in Boston to make a more equitable distribution of the licenses over the whole area of the city, and preventing them from discriminating against any particular locality or district, by denying licenses in that locality or district.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The House order:—

Corporation
names.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will prevent the issuing of a certificate of incorporation under a name so similar to the name of a corporation already in existence or to the name of any corporation in existence at any time within the three years next preceding such issuing of certificate, as to be misleading and cause confusion,—

Came down with the endorsement “adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words ‘committee on Mercantile Affairs,’ and inserting in place thereof the words ‘joint committee on the Judiciary,’” in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports:

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor,—labor
laws.

Of the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary:

On Part I. of the Twenty-first Annual Report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor relating to the labor laws of Massachusetts; and

On Part II. of the Twenty-first Annual Report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor relating to the population of Massachusetts ; Bureau of Statistics of Labor, — population.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park.

A Resolve in favor of Henry J. Cross (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Henry J. Cross.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the selectmen, assessors and chairmen of the water board of the town of Peabody for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petition of George L. Newcomb and others, formerly members of Company K of the Seventh Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers, that they may be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth the sums severally promised them by the town of Scituate in 1861, the payment of which has been denied them on the ground of unconstitutionality of said agreement. To the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. Town of Scituate, — bounty to George L. Newcomb and others.

The House petition of the mayor of Boston relative to building a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston flats and a payment of a portion of the expense by the Commonwealth, referred by the House to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence, came down referred in non-concurrence to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Mr. McNamara of Boston moved that the matter be postponed for further consideration until Friday, which motion was lost. After debate the House insisted on its reference to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. City of Boston, — South Boston flats.

The House petition of George Dutton and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of establishing an independent school of medicine, referred by the House to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for con- Independent school of medicine.

currence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Education. The House receded from its reference to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Education, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Dorchester Historical Society.

The House petition of H. S. Carruth and others for incorporation as the Dorchester Historical Society, referred by the House to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Education. On motion of Mr. Clark of Boston the House receded from its reference to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Education, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Lien law, —
monumental
work in cemeteries.

The House petition of the Marble Dealers' Association for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work, when set up in cemeteries, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

T. Frederick Martin.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of T. Frederick Martin for compensation for use by the Commonwealth of the form of a ballot alleged to be copyrighted by him, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Also that the following House order had been rejected : —

Intoxicated persons.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of further legislation relating to methods of dealing with intoxicated and disorderly persons and persons having the habit of using intoxicating liquors to excess.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the House committee on Rules, to whom was referred the petition of Lucy Stone and others, for the use of Representatives' Hall to enable members to hear the arguments of the petitioners in behalf of municipal suffrage for women, reported, recommending the adoption of the following order : —

Ordered, That use of the Representatives' Chamber be granted to the committee on Woman Suffrage any afternoon of the present or following week after the adjournment of the House, for the purpose of giving a public hearing on any matters before the committee.

Use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the petitioners for woman suffrage.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rule was suspended and the order was adopted.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the report of the Free Public Library Commission of Massachusetts, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Library. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Free Public Library Commission.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing or amending chapter 225 of the Acts of 1890, concerning the issuing of a summons in minor criminal prosecutions, so as to require a warrant to issue in all cases.

Issuing of summonses in minor criminal prosecutions.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Orange that Mary Ann Willard may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Mary Ann Willard.

By Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the fourth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Board of Registration in Dentistry.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John C. Sullivan for an increase of salary for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Plymouth.

Salary of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Plymouth.

By Mr. Carter of Wakefield, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, concerning the assessment of taxes, so as to exempt from taxation certain farm property in buildings and land.

Exemption of certain farm property from taxation.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on orders, a Bill defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers.

Certificates of nomination and nomination papers.

Trustees of the
James Arnold
Fund.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the James Arnold Fund.

Salary of the
clerk of the
police court of
Fitchburg.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

State Gas In-
spector.

On motions of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, the annual report of the State Gas Inspector was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Manufactures.

State Pension
Agent.

On motions of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the third annual report of the State Pension Agent was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Clarke of Palmer, under a suspension of House Rule 69, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House, on Wednesday, February 11, referred to the next General Court, under the 12th joint rule, the following order:—

Grade
crossings.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts and Resolves of 1890, concerning the abolition of grade crossings, so that when grades are separated and a public way crosses a railroad by an overhead bridge, the expense of maintaining and keeping the surface of the bridge in repair shall be borne in whole or in part by the railroad company.

The motion to reconsider prevailed. Mr. Clarke moved to suspend the 12th joint rule, which motion was carried, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses;
Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth;

To authorize the town of Orange to incur indebtedness beyond its debt limit to construct a system of sewers; and

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in relation to the Topographical Survey and Map of Massachusetts (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell that she may be indemnified for injuries to which she has been subjected by State officials, and compensated for work she has done in exposing wrongs done those who cannot speak in their own behalf, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan;

To confirm the acts and records of the Everett Congregational Society;

To amend section 13 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890 relating to the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense;

To change the name of the Chollar, Putnam and Sprague Company;

To authorize the Nantucket Beach Street Railway Company to do business as a common carrier; and

To authorize the construction of a public bridge over an arm of West Falmouth harbor, in the town of Falmouth;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To incorporate the Harwich Port Cemetery Association in the town of Harwich; and

To change the name of the George F. Littlefield Shoe Company of Turner's Falls; and the

Resolve providing for deficiencies in the current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To enlarge the jurisdiction of notaries public; and

To amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide that no body shall be embalmed until the physician's certificate of the cause of death shall be obtained, and that the certificate be approved by the board of health, was further considered. Mr. Giles of Somerville moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the embalming of human bodies," which was rejected, and the report was accepted.

The Bill to exempt blind persons from taxation was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the bill was refused a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Mansfield, at twenty-six minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 18, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The report of the commissioners on the boundary line between New Hampshire and Massachusetts was received and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Commissioners on the boundary line between New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, —

Ordered, That the Auditor of the Commonwealth furnish, for the information of the General Court, a statement of grants and allowances to sundry institutions, made by the Legislature from 1860 to 1890, inclusive.

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — statement of grants and allowances to sundry institutions.

Sent up for concurrence. .

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, of H. S. Fay and others against the passage of a law compelling all dogs to be muzzled, held in leash, or confined to the owners' premises. To the committee on Agriculture.

Muzzling of dogs.

Petitions, presented by Mr. McFarland of Wales, of F. E. Clark and others, and of the selectmen, assessors and town clerk of Holland, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of the chairman of the county commissioners and other officers

Cape Poge Ferry Company.

of the county of Dukes County, in aid of the petition for the incorporation of the Cape Poge Ferry Company. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Hours of labor
in manufactur-
ing establish-
ments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hobson of Lowell, of James Coughlin and 500 others, for a law prohibiting the employment of any person by any manufacturing establishment more than 54 hours per week. To the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Thomas F. Fallon of Boston, —

Annual report
of Chief of Mas-
sachusetts Dis-
trict Police.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing 1,500 extra copies of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Fallon the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bullock of Fall River : —

County of Bris-
tol, — registry of
deeds.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a registry of deeds at Fall River, Bristol County, and authorizing the county commissioners to appropriate the necessary sums to copy deeds and other instruments relating to real estate in Fall River, and of creating a new registry district in Bristol County, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bullock the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hickox of Williams-town, —

Agricultural
societies, —
licensing of pub-
lic shows,
amusements and
exhibitions.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending sections 116 and 117 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, so that public shows, public amusements and exhibitions held upon the grounds of duly incorporated agricultural societies during the days of their annual fairs, may be licensed by the officers of

such societies, and when so licensed shall not require any license from the mayor and aldermen of any city, or the selectmen of any town, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by striking out the word "Agriculture" and inserting in place thereof the words "the Judiciary." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to sit during the session of the General Court on Thursday, February 19th. Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg: —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to employ a stenographer in connection with their consideration of the subject of a ship canal on Cape Cod. Committee on Harbors and Public Lands, — stenographer.

A report of the committee on the Library, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Everett Warner that a committee be appointed to negotiate for the purchase of the sword worn by General Washington when resigning his commission as commander-in-chief of the army, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. George Washington's sword.

A Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay to the widow of John T. Kilty, late an employee in the bridge department of said city, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. City of Boston, — widow of John T. Kilty.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) in favor of Abby B. Morton, widow of the late Marcus Morton, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. Abby B. Morton.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Governor of the State of Vermont, inviting the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to unite with the States of Vermont and New Hampshire in the dedication of the Bennington Battle Monument, and the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the Vermont, — dedication of the Bennington Battle Monument.

admission of Vermont into the Union as a State, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Annexation of
a part of Water-
town to
Newton.

A petition of William A. Alexander and others, residents, voters and property owners of the town of Watertown, that a portion of said town be set off and annexed to the city of Newton, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Towns.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House order had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule:—

Sounding of
locomotive
whistles.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 334 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to authorizing the Railroad Commissioners to forbid or regulate the sounding of locomotive whistles in certain cases, so as to make the provisions thereof apply to the sounding of whistles for the purpose of calling in flagmen.

Reports of Committees.

Poultry
societies.

By Mr. Kemp of Pepperell, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. A. Ballou and others for legislation for the relief and encouragement of poultry societies in this Commonwealth.

City of North-
ampton, —
sewers.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on Drainage, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Northampton for authority to issue sewer scrip to the amount of \$150,000 in excess of the amount now authorized.

Election of
United States
Senators by
popular vote.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the committee on Federal Relations, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to memorializing Congress for an amendment of the constitution of the United States so as to provide for election of United States Senators by direct popular vote. (Mr. Donovan of the Senate, and Messrs. Boodey of Wayland and Moreau of Spencer, of the House, dissenting.)

Wild fowl.

By Mr. Ellis of Boston, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of section 6, chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, concerning the better preservation of birds and game, as relates to pursuing any wild fowl with or by aid of a sailboat or steam launch, and sundry petitions in aid of the same.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that, for the purposes of taxation or voting, or being voted for for any office, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant of that city or town in which he dwelt during the first three weeks of February.

Legal residence of voters.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of taxes, that the time for the assessment of taxes shall be the first day of February of each year instead of the first day of May.

Assessment of taxes.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Perkins of Somerville, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to amend an Act establishing a board of commissioners of sewerage for the city of Waltham.

City of Waltham, — sewerage commissioners.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Petersham Memorial Library.

Petersham Memorial Library.

By Mr. Stearns of Salem, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

Trustees of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

By Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill requiring assessors of cities and towns to make returns to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number and value of fowl assessed.

Returns of number of taxable fowl.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ought to pass.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the Board of Lunacy and Charity ought to pass.

Board of Lunacy and Charity.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Matthew O'Herrin ought to pass.

Matthew O'Herrin.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Clara Abbott.

By Mr. Handley of Acton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Clara Abbott.

Patrick Buckley.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Patrick Buckley.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Message from the Governor,—
registration of
land titles.

On motions of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the message from His Excellency the Governor in relation to the subject of a thorough reform in our system of land registration and transfer, was taken from the table and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Motion to Reconsider.

Embalming of
human bodies.

Mr. Giles of Somerville moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide that no body shall be embalmed until the physician's certificate of the cause of death shall be obtained, and that the certificate be approved by the board of health. After debate, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 53 to 112.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the Report of the Topographical Survey Commission (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing or amending chapter 225 of the Acts of 1890, concerning the issuing of a summons in minor criminal prosecutions, so as to require a warrant to issue in all cases, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Orange, that Mary Ann Willard may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the fourth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John C. Sullivan for an increase of salary for the register of probate for the county of Plymouth ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, concerning the assessment of taxes, so as to exempt from taxation certain farm property in buildings and land ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ; and

To incorporate the Trustees of the James Arnold Fund ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan ; and

To confirm the acts and records of the Everett Congregational Society ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Chollar, Putnam and Sprague Company ; and

To authorize the Nantucket Beach Street Railway Company to do business as a common carrier ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 13 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Greene of North Andover moved to amend in section 1, line 20, by inserting, after the word "voters," the words "or majority fraction thereof upon the official list." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the construction of a public bridge over an arm of West Falmouth harbor, in the town of Falmouth, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. The report was accepted, and the bill was recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Gale of Haverhill, at five minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 19, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The annual report of the State Board of Agriculture, acting as a board of overseers of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, in accordance with the provisions of section 5 of chapter 20 of the Public Statutes, was received and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of
Agriculture,—
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

*Vote for Representatives to the General Court at the
Election in November, 1890.*

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting, in compliance with an order of the House, a statement of the vote for representatives in the several representative districts of the Commonwealth at the election Nov. 4, 1890. The communication was read, and, with the accompanying document, was placed on file. Subsequently, on motions of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, it was taken from the files and ordered to be printed as a House document.

Vote for Repre-
sentatives to the
General Court
for 1891.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Flood of North Adams, —

Ordered, That the committee on County Estimates have authority to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth.

Committee on
County Esti-
mates.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Petition, presented by Mr. Giles of Somerville, of the mayor of Somerville in aid of the petition of the mayor of Boston for establishing a boundary line between Boston and Somerville. To the committee on Cities.

Boundary line
between Boston
and Somerville.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, of the chairman of the selectmen of Blackstone; and by Mr. Marston of Amesbury, of the selectmen of West Newbury, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Subterranean railways in Suffolk and Middlesex counties.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hartshorn of Norwood, of Erastus Worthington and others, in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spalding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex. To the committee on Street Railways.

Division of town of Tisbury.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of Frank H. Peakes and others, against the division of the town of Tisbury. To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Great Head Yacht Club.

A petition, presented by Mr. Turner of Malden, of the Great Head Yacht Club, that its name may be changed to the Winthrop Yacht Club, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Turner the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Holyoke.

A petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the mayor, city treasurer and city solicitor of Holyoke, for authority to exceed the legal limit of the city's indebtedness for the purpose of paying the city's portion of the cost of rebuilding the South Hadley Falls bridge, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Buckley the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

The following order was considered :—

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to report in print, on their return from their visit to Philadelphia, Wheeling and other places outside the State, and also Danvers in this State, the results of their observation and information obtained.

Committee on
Manufactures.

Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend, in line 2, by striking out the word "authorized," and inserting in place thereof the word "instructed." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered, and, after debate, was adopted, in concurrence :—

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to employ a stenographer in connection with the consideration of the subject of a ship canal on Cape Cod.

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands.

A Bill to authorize the trustees of the Smith College to hold additional real and personal estate (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Smith College.

A Resolve to provide a room for the Bureau of Statistics of Labor for storage purposes (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bureau of Sta-
tistics of Labor.

A petition of the Milford Mutual Relief Association that its name may be changed to the New England Mutual Benefit Association was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Milford Mutual
Relief Asso-
ciation.

A petition of the Murdock Parlor Grate Company for an allowance from the treasury of the Commonwealth, on account of damages and expenses caused to said company as a tenant of the Ticknor Building in 1887 by the Commonwealth's tenant in the same building, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Murdock Parlor
Grate
Company.

The House petition of the mayor of Boston relative to building a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston flats and the payment of a portion of the expense

City of Boston,
—South Boston
flats.

by the Commonwealth, referred by the House to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, and referred in non-concurrence by the Senate to the committee on Cities, came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its reference and asked for a committee of conference. Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the appointment of the committee, consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee of conference on the matter of difference between the two branches on the order relative to investigating the financial conduct and disbursement of the State normal schools, reported recommending that the order be amended to read as follows :—

Investigation of the financial conduct and disbursement for the State Normal Schools.

“ *Ordered*, That the committee on Education be authorized to consider the expediency of inquiring into the financial conduct and disbursements for the normal schools of the Commonwealth; and if they deem it to be expedient, that they be authorized to make such inquiry and to send for persons and papers; also to report what action, if any, they deem expedient.”

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Damage by dogs to domestic animals.

By Mr. Curtis of Georgetown, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1889, relative to the fees allowed to appraisers appointed to assess damages caused by dogs to sheep and domestic animals, so as to provide, in addition to the fees therein named, compensation for the necessary travel of such appraisers and the costs for administering oaths.

Electric fire-alarm system in schools.

By Mr. McKettrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing an electric fire-alarm system in the schools of the Commonwealth.

“ Order of Nine Hundred Dollars.”

By Mr. Giles of Somerville, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Dwight S. Woodworth and E. M. Brown, members of “The

Order of Nine Hundred Dollars," that the name of their corporation may be changed to "The Golden Palm."

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to amend an Act concerning the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents, and to provide for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry for the present year, ought to pass in a new draft with the title, Bill providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Report of the
Board of Regis-
tration in Den-
tistry.

By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, from the committee on Insurance, on orders, a Bill to amend an Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

By Mr. Thurston of Enfield, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Widows' Society in Boston.

Widows'
Society in Bos-
ton.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Clara Abbott ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Clara Abbott.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Resolve providing for repairing Gay Head school house.

Gay Head
school-house.

By Mr. Turner of Middleborough, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Joseph Fernald.

Joseph Fernald.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Robert Ball Edes.

Robert Ball
Edes.

By Mr. Herrod of Brockton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Hiram N. Denham.

Hiram N.
Denham.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order, a Bill to further amend section 26 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1885, concerning the support of State poor by cities and towns.

Support of
State poor.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

*Bills Enacted.***Bills enacted.****Engrossed bills :**

To authorize the county commissioners of Plymouth County to borrow a sum of money in addition to that now allowed by law for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court-house in Brockton ;

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women and for expenses in connection therewith ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings ; and

To enlarge the jurisdiction of notaries public ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.****Reports :**

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. A. Ballou and others for legislation for the relief and encouragement of poultry societies in the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Drainage, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Northampton for authority to issue sewer scrip to the amount of \$150,000 in excess of the amount now authorized ;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that for the purposes of taxation or voting, or being voted for for any office, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant of that city or town in which he dwelt during the first three weeks of February ; and

On an order relative to so amending chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relative to the assessment of taxes, that the time for the assessment of taxes shall be the first day of February of each year instead of the first day of May ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Library, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Everett Warner that a committee be appointed to negotiate for the purchase of

the sword worn by General Washington when resigning his commission as commander-in-chief of the army, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886, concerning the better preservation of birds and game, as relates to pursuing any wild fowl with or by aid of a sail-boat or steam launch, and sundry petitions in aid of the same, was, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next.

Bills :

Requiring assessors of cities and towns to make returns to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number and value of fowl assessed ;

To incorporate the Petersham Memorial Library ;

To amend an Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry ;

Relating to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the Board of Lunacy and Charity ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay to the widow of John T. Kilty, late an employee in the bridge department of said city, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars ; and

To amend an Act establishing a board of commissioners of sewerage for the city of Waltham ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Matthew O'Herrin ; and

In favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ; and

To incorporate the Trustees of The James Arnold Fund ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Federal Relations, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to memorializing Congress for an amendment to the Constitution of the

United States so as to provide for election of United States Senators by direct popular vote, was considered. Mr. Moreau of Spencer moved to amend by the substitution of "Resolutions in favor of amending the Constitution of the United States so as to provide for the election of United States Senators by direct popular vote." After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park. On the question on substituting the resolutions, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Lane of Springfield, and, the roll being called, the substitute resolutions were rejected by a vote of 76 yeas to 105 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Barrett, Harry H.		Keliher, Thomas J.	
Barrett, Richard F.		Kelly, Charles A.	
Bicknell, Zechariah L.		Kemp, Parker J.	
Breen, Daniel F.		Lomasney, Joseph P.	
Bright, Elmer H.		Lynch, John B.	
Brown, George H.		Mahoney, Cornelius E.	
Buckley, William P.		McAnally, Frank	
Cannon, Patrick		McCarthy, Daniel	
Cannon, William		McDonald, Peter J.	
Capen, Robert P.		McEnaney, Thomas O.	
Carroll, Michael		McEttrick, Michael J.	
Carter, James H.		McKenna, George B.	
Carter, Richard A.		McLean, Isaac	
Chance, Charles J.		McLoughlin, John T.	
Coffey, John H.		McSolla, Richard F.	
Crowley, Jeremiah J.		Mellen, James H.	
Curtis, Samuel N.		Mitchell, Michael J.	
Ellis, Edward C.		Mooney, William L.	
Fallon, J. Otis		Moreau, Louis E. P.	
Fallon, Thomas F.		O'Brien, John	
Frazer, Charles A.		O'Brien, John J.	
Gardner, Arthur H.		O'Neil, Eugene J.	
Golding, John		Parker, James O.	
Gould, David E.		Peterson, Benjamin F.	
Haggerty, Roger		Pomeroy, John P.	
Hall, Henry C.		Quincy, Josiah	
Harriman, Charles H.		Quinn, Patrick J.	
Hemenway, Augustus		Rady, Andrew J.	
Herrod, Edward E.		Rafferty, Patrick H.	
Hevey, Thomas D.		Ramage, James	
Hobson, Charles H.		Reid, James	
Howard, Timothy		Richardson, Arthur C.	
Howe, Archibald M.		Ripley, Samuel E.	
Judd, Myron H.		Rosnosky, Isaac	

Messrs. Shaw, Ebenezer
Stearns, William H.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Tilden, Charles A.

Messrs. Turner, Charles W.
Wetherell, Barney T.
Worcester, Charles F.
Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
Atkins, Edwin A.
Austin, J. Lewis
Babson, Fitz J.
Baker, Charles H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bingham, Henry T.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Britton, Henry W.
Brooks, Ethan
Bucklin, Andrew J.
Butler, William M.
Carpenter, Erastus P.
Carpenter, George N.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Clapp, James W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clarke, George E.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Converse, Morton E.
Corbett, Myron L.
Day, Frederick B.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dickinson, Henry S.
Dyar, Perlie A.
Edson, Nathan
Ensign, Charles S.
Fairbanks, John W.
Fales, Nathan H.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fears, Isaac P.
Fletcher, Charles T.
Flint, Charles W.
Flood, Nathan B.
Giles, Joseph J.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Goddard, Edward A.
Greene, Edward W.
Hartshorn, James A.
Henderson, Charles W.
Hinckley, Charles E.

Messrs. Howard, S. Edward
Howe, Edward C.
Hunting, Amos
Kenrick, John, Jr.
Keyes, Charles G.
Kimball, John W.
Kirby, Albert C.
Knowlton, George K.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lakin, James A.
Lane, Hiram B.
Langdon, Henry W.
Lawrence, William B.
Lewis, James A.
Longley, Henry C.
Lord, Lucien
Loud, John C.
Luther, Haile R.
Marston, Dudley J.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McFarland, Herbert A.
McFethries, John
Meade, William E.
Monk, Hiram A.
Murray, Michael J.
Newell, Charles B.
Oakes, William H.
Olmstead, James M.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Penney, Alonzo
Plummer, John M.
Powers, Wilbur H.
Pratt, Amasa
Presho, Edward W.
Prouty, John E. O.
Read, Franklin F.
Rice, William H.
Richardson, Albert W.
Rideout, Malcolm E.
Salter, John J.
Shaw, Charles F.
Smith, Charles S.
Sohier, William D.

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Messrs. Sprague, Charles F.	Messrs. Weston, Thomas
Stevens, William S.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Swallow, George N.	White, Franklin B.
Taft, Henry G.	Whitney, Edwin
Thompson, Edwin D.	Wier, Fred N.
Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Tucker, George F.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Turner, Henry E.	Wilson, William Power
Tuttle, William H. H.	Withington, Nathan N.
Waterman, Eben C.	

Yeas, 76 ; Nays, 105.

PAIR.

Mr. McNamara of Boston, who would have voted in the affirmative, announced that he was paired with Mr. Kilmer of Somerville.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, at twenty-four minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 20, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Tibbetts of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to sit during the sessions of the Legislature.

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands.

The following order, offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, was laid over until Tuesday, at the request of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg: —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be authorized to employ a stenographer.

Committee on
Cities, —
stenographer.*Introduced on Leave.*

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, a Resolve to provide for the printing of 500 additional copies of the last annual report of the Commissioners of the Topographical Survey, and to authorize the gratuitous distribution of one hundred copies of the atlas map of Massachusetts.

Topographical
survey com-
mission, — atlas
map of Massa-
chusetts.

The committee on Rules reported that the resolve came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. The resolve was read, and on motion of Mr. Quincy the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Printing, and sent up for concurrence in suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Petition, presented by Mr. Kirby of Westport, of Marcellus Boynton and others, in aid of the order for the establishment of a State Dairy Commission. To the committee on Agriculture.

State dairy
commission.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of Capt. Poland and others in aid of the petition of Isaac A. Williams and others that twelve hours may constitute a

Hours of labor
of employees
in the Boston
Fire Depart-
ment.

day's work in the Boston Fire Department. To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional amendment,—
division of towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Handley of Acton, of the chairman of the selectmen and town clerk of Carlisle, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Woman's
Charity Club
Hospital.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Hartshorn of Norwood, of C. Garriss and others; by Mr. Chester of Newton, of Mrs. W. G. Wise and others; by Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, of A. W. Mills and others; and by Mr. Smith of Amherst, of O. F. Bigelow and others,—severally, in aid of the petition of Julia K. Dyer for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Use and sale
of arsenic.

Petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, of D. P. Livermore and others, in aid of the petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic. To the committee on Public Health.

Taxation of
personal
property.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Kirby of Westport, of Marcellus Boynton and others; and by Mr. Newell of Rowe, of W. E. Kinsman and others, severally, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to sit to-day during the session of the General Court.

Sarah J. Goss.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sarah J. Goss for State aid, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Oaths of office
to tellers in
town meetings.

A Bill relating to administering the oath of office to tellers in town meetings (reported on orders); and

Resolves:

Constitutional
amendment,—
biennial elec-
tions.

Providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court (Messrs. McLoughlin of Milford, Lomasney of Boston and Prescho of Boston, of the House, dissenting); and

Providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives (Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, of the House, dissenting) ;

Constitutional amendment, — poll tax.

(Being severally the resolves agreed to by the last General Court and referred to the General Court next to be chosen) ;

Severally agreed to by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The annual report of the Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting an attested copy of an act of Congress entitled : "An act making apportionment of representatives in Congress among the several States under the eleventh census," the same having been forwarded by the Secretary of State of the United States, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules.

Message from the Governor, — re-apportionment of congressional districts.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of A. R. Bunting and others for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants for the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petition of E. Knowlton Fogg and others for the regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and sale of paper, textile fabrics and other articles in the manufacture of which arsenical matter is used. To the committee on Public Health.

Textile fabrics, — use of arsenical matter.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill (introduced on leave) relating to bail in criminal cases ; and the House order, —

Bail in criminal cases.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of empowering the Commissioner of Corporations, upon due notice and hearing, to authorize corporations subject to the provisions of chapters 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118 and 119 of the Public Statutes, relating to powers, duties and liabilities of corporations, and acts amendatory thereof, to change their names, —

Corporations, — change of names.

Had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused, in each case, to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Complaints in
criminal cases.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the laws as to allow any person to make complaint in criminal cases before any competent court or clerk thereof or magistrate.

Probation offi-
cers.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the appointment of probation officers in cities mandatory, and of prohibiting the appointment of police officials as probation officers.

Licensing of
persons in
charge of steam
engines and
boilers.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting a law which shall require all persons having charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers to be licensed by some proper board or authority.

Wearing of
badges of
fraternal
organizations.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent persons from using or wearing the badges or buttons of fraternal organizations who are not entitled to wear such badges or buttons.

Complaints in
criminal cases.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that a complaint may be made to any court or magistrate by any person who is competent to make oath to such complaint.

Equipment of
fire departments
with life-saving
apparatus.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 3 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires, so that the chief of the district police or any State inspector of factories and public buildings shall bring complaint against any city or town which neglects to comply with the provisions of this act, after having duly notified said city or town in writing.

Damage done
by dogs.

By Mr. Smith of Amherst, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1889, relative to damage done by dogs, so as to require persons claiming damage under said section to give notice to the officials designated in said section within some specified period of time.

By Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation for the better protection of sheep and other domestic animals against damage done by dogs. Damage done by dogs.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sylvanus C. Small and others, for an act to incorporate the Furniture Manufacturers' Mutual Liability Association. Furniture Manufacturers' Mutual Liability Association.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Expenditures, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Harry Chapin. (Mr. Southwick, of the Senate, dissenting.) Read and ordered to a second reading. Harry Chapin.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the leasing of house numbered 13 Beacon Street, for the use of various commissions and boards, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday for a second reading. Accommodations for various commissions and boards.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Bill to establish a board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States. Commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States.

By Mr. Prouty of Scituate, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Gideon M. Morley. Gideon M. Morley.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted the order relative to authorizing the committee on County Estimates to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth. After debate, the motion was lost. Committee on County Estimates.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for girls ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the Nantucket Beach Street Railway company to do business as a common carrier ; and

To change the name of the Chollar, Putnam and Sprague Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

• "The Order of
Nine Hundred
Dollars."

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Dwight S. Woodworth and E. M. Brown, members of "The Order of Nine Hundred Dollars," that the name of their corporation may be changed to "The Golden Palm," was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1889, relative to the fees allowed to appraisers appointed to assess damages caused by dogs to sheep and domestic animals, so as to provide, in addition to the fees therein named, compensation for the necessary travel of such appraisers and the cost of administering oaths ; and

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing an electric fire-alarm system in the schools of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend the charter of the Widows' Society in Boston ;

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Smith College to hold additional real and personal estate ; and the

Resolve in favor of Clara Abbott ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

The House concurred with the Senate in the appointment of a committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House petition of the mayor of Boston relative to building a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston flats and the payment of a portion of the expense by the Commonwealth, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills:

Requiring assessors of cities and towns to make returns to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number and value of fowl assessed;

To incorporate the Petersham Memorial Library; and

To amend an act to incorporate the trustees of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry; and the

Resolve in favor of Matthew O'Herrin;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the Board of Lunacy and Charity; and

To authorize the city of Boston to pay to the widow of John T. Kilty, late an employee in the bridge department of said city, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars; and the

Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Georgetown, at twenty-nine minutes past one o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 24, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

General
Superintendent
of Prisons.

The fourth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was considered, and after debate, was adopted and sent up for concurrence : —

Committee on
Cities, —
stenographer.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be authorized to employ a stenographer.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Harding of Medfield, of the town officers of Needham and 28 others; by Mr. Wilder of Leominster, of the selectmen, town clerk, and auditor of Lunenburg; by Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, of Silas Hatch and 16 others; by Mr. Moreau of Spencer, of Charles P. Burton and others; by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of the selectmen and chairman of school committee of Burlington; and by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of the chairman of the selectmen and other town officers of Erving, and of the selectmen and town clerk of New Salem, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of W. L. Grout and 325 legal voters of Orange, in aid of the petition for a law permitting towns and cities to manufacture and furnish gas and electricity; also an accompanying petition of R. H. Casey and others for the same object. To the committee on Manufactures.

Manufacture of
gas and elec-
tricity by cities
and towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Thompson of Hopkinton, of Abram Crooks and 75 others; by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, of Albert T. Mowry and 24 others; and by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, of Samuel A. Green and others, and of Samuel F. McCleary and others, — severally, in aid of a petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic.

Use and sale of
arsenic.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Newell of Rowe, of E. E. Amidon and others, and of Arthur A. Smith and others, — severally, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation.

Taxation of
personal
property.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, of the New York and New England Railroad Company, for an act authorizing the consolidation of the stations at Norwood and Norwood Central and further powers for the abolition of grade crossings, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Kimball, the 12th and 9th joint rules were suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference with instructions.

New York and
New England
Railroad
Company.

Petition, presented by Mr. Emery of Taunton, of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in aid of the order relative to amending chapter 72 of the Acts of 1886, concerning the sale and gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Sale of tobacco
to minors.

Petition, presented by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of C. W. Lyman and others in aid of the bill relating to the privilege of debts by wage earners. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Privilege of
debts by wage
earners.

*Papers from the Senate.***Oleomargarine.**

A Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter (reported on a bill introduced on leave in the House, on an order and on petitions), passed to be engrossed in the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Burleigh Tunnel Company.

A Bill to authorize the Burleigh Tunnel Company to hold meetings in the State of Colorado, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

City of Marlborough, — assessors.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Marlborough, for legislation to enable said city to elect assessors and an assistant assessor. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of Scituate, — bounty to certain soldiers.

Petitions of Oliver P. Hayes and others, and of Alfred A. Seaverns and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of former members of Company K of the Seventh Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers, that they may be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth, the sums severally promised them by the town of Scituate in 1861, the payment of which has been denied them on the ground of the unconstitutionality of said agreement.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Use and sale of arsenic.

Petition of I. T. Talbot and 237 other physicians of Massachusetts, in aid of the petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic. To the committee on Public Health.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House petitions and order had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused in each case to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule:—

Town of Manchester, — jurisdiction of the Gloucester police court. Solemnization of marriages.

Petition of Daniel W. Friend and others, that the town of Manchester may be made a part of the judicial district under the jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester.

Petition of Charles A. Dickinson and others, asking for an amendment of section 22 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, relative to the solemnization of marriages.

Petition of the mayor of Boston, for such legislation as may be necessary to cause the grade crossing on Causeway and Travers streets to be abolished.

City of Boston,
— grade cross-
ings on Cause-
way and
Travers streets.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing 1,500 extra copies of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police.

Report of the
Chief of the
Massachusetts
District Police.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 25 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes relating to the persons holding sessions of the district courts, in the absence of the justice, so as to give the justice of any court therein referred to authority to request either special justice of such court to sit any time during his absence and perform the duties of the justice.

Special justices
of district
courts.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that a verdict shall be returned to court on the agreement of three-fourths of a jury in any case.

Verdicts in jury
cases.

By Mr. Babson of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. L. Needham and others, for the repeal of the provisions of section 2 of chapter 249, Acts of 1890, relative to the penalty for transporting woodcock, quail or ruffed grouse out of the Commonwealth, or having them in possession with intent to transport them.

Woodcock,
quail and ruffed
grouse.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. P. S. Churchill and others that the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk may be increased.

Salary of the
clerk of the
district court of
East Norfolk.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the joint committee on Rules, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to the re-division of the Commonwealth into new Congressional districts, reported recommending the adoption of the following order (Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of the House, dissenting) :—

Joint special
committee,—
congressional
districts.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate and eleven members on the part of the House, to report a plan for re-dividing the Commonwealth into Congressional districts; and also that the committee be authorized to employ clerical assistance and to procure and have pre-

pared such maps, statistics and papers as may be necessary, and to make report in print.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Weymouth
Agricultural
and Industrial
Society.

By Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, in part, a Bill to incorporate the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society.

Licensing of
street railway
employees.

By Mr. Meade of Salem, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in cities.

Salary of the
justice of the
second district
court of Bristol.

By Mr. Luby of Fall River, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bridge across
West Falmouth
harbor.

By Mr. Tibbetts of Lynn, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) to authorize the construction of a public bridge over an arm of West Falmouth harbor in the town of Falmouth ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its engrossment.

Railroad
commissioners.

By Mr. Mott of Taunton, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the annual election of a board of railroad commissioners ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Weymouth
Agricultural
and Industrial
Society.

By Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, in part, a Resolve in favor of the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society.

Sarah E.
Geyer.

By Mr. Dyar of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Sarah E. Geyer.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Luther of New Bedford, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Resolve in favor of the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Resolutions on the Death of Hon. Marcus Morton.

Hon. Marcus
Morton, ex-chief
justice of the
supreme judicial
court.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of Hon. Marcus Morton, ex chief justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and prepare suitable

resolutions in memory of the deceased, reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions, which were read and unanimously adopted by a rising vote :—

Whereas, “The character and virtues, the just sentiments and useful actions of distinguished men, preserved in the annals and cherished in the recollections of a grateful people, constitute their richest treasures”; and

Whereas, The late Marcus Morton, during a continuous judicial service for the term of thirty-two years, of which, for the term of eight years, he was chief justice of our Supreme Judicial Court, stood the peer of any in useful citizenship; therefore be it

Resolved, That by reason of his inflexible honesty, his untiring industry, his great common sense, his rightness of mind, his thorough kindness of heart and his tender humanity, the Commonwealth has lost in him a model magistrate, judge and useful citizen, and the people a true friend;

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the Journal of the House, and that a copy be transmitted to his family.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Dwight S. Woodworth and E. M. Brown, members of “The Order of Nine Hundred Dollars,” that the name of their corporation may be changed to “The Golden Palm,” was discharged from the orders of the day under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Insurance.

“The Order of
Nine Hundred
Dollars.”

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the Bill to amend an Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Insurance.

Fraternal
beneficiary
corporations.

On motions of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the appointment of probation officers in cities mandatory, and of prohibiting the appointment of police officials as probation officers, was

Probation
officers.

discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Licensing of persons in charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers.

On motions of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting a law which shall require all persons having charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers to be licensed by some proper board or authority, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 3, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Constitutional amendment, — biennial elections.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, were discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. They were read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Sobier of Beverly, the rule was suspended, and the resolves were read a third time. Pending the question on agreeing to the resolves and articles of amendment, they were, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 4, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Constitutional amendment, — poll tax.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Sobier of Beverly, the rule was suspended, and the resolve was read a third time. Pending the question on agreeing to the resolve and article of amendment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 4, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the New Bedford Gas Light Company to change its corporate name ;

To authorize the trustees of the Consumptives' Home to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

To authorize the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital to hold additional property ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation to prevent persons from using or wearing the badges or buttons of fraternal organizations who are not entitled to wear such badges or buttons ;

Orders of the day.

On an order relative to providing that a complaint may be made to any court or magistrate by any person who is competent to make oath to such complaint ;

On an order relative to amending section 3 of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires, so that the chief of the district police or any State inspector of factories and public buildings shall bring complaint against any city or town which neglects to comply with the provisions of this act after having duly notified said city or town in writing ; and

On an order relative to so amending the laws as to allow any person to make complaint in criminal cases before any competent court or clerk thereof or magistrate ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1889, relative to damage done by dogs, so as to require persons claiming damage under said section to give notice to the officials designated in said section within some specified period of time ; and

On an order relative to further legislation for the better protection of sheep and other domestic animals against damage done by dogs ; and

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sylvanus C. Small and others for an act to incorporate the Furniture Manufacturers' Mutual Liability Association ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sarah J. Goss for State aid, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to administering the oath of office to tellers in town meetings; and

Resolves:

Providing for the leasing of house numbered 13 Beacon street for the use of various commissions and boards; and

In favor of Harry Chapin;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To amend an Act establishing a board of commissioners of sewerage for the city of Waltham;

To amend the charter of the Widows' Society in Boston; and

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry; and the

Resolve in favor of Clara Abbott;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the trustees of the Smith College to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Presko of Boston, at three minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 25, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, enclosing a letter from a committee of the State Board of Agriculture. The letter and message were read, as follows:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, BOSTON, Feb. 24, 1891.

To His Excellency WILLIAM E. RUSSELL, Governor.

SIR: At the last annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture, we, the undersigned, were appointed a committee of three to represent the said Board "in matters of legislation and agitation, concerning the destruction of the gypsy moth."

Message from
the Governor,--
gypsy moth.

Understanding from the conference to which you called us that the Board of Commissioners, appointed under chapter 95, Acts of 1890, have been removed, we, on the part of the said Board, respectfully represent that the evils to be apprehended from that pest are very grave, and that it is of the utmost importance to avoid any delay in the work of destroying it. Unless the further extension of the plague be during the coming season arrested, it will probably be hereafter impossible to keep it from becoming a national misfortune.

Should it seem to the Legislature desirable to commit the serious task of exterminating this insect to the State Board of Agriculture, we believe it would be possible through a committee, appointed by that body, with the aid of proper experts, to deal with the danger in an efficient way.

We have the honor to remain,

Yours very respectfully,

N. S. SHALER,
SAMUEL B. BIRD,
FRANCIS H. APPLETON,

Committee of the State Board of Agriculture.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Feb. 25, 1891.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In the session of the Legislature of 1890 the attention of that body was called to the fact that a noxious foreign insect known as the gypsy moth had become naturalized in and about the town of Medford. In the two preceding years it had rapidly extended the field it had occupied and caused much damage to vegetation. It is a well-known fact that this pest, which is a native of Europe, is a source of great loss to the people in the countries whence it came. The testimony given before a committee of the Legislature concerning the injury which may be expected to arise from the ravages of this insect, provided it is allowed to spread over this country, was so conclusive that the Legislature, by chapter 95, Acts of 1890, provided for the appointment of a commission to prevent its spreading and to secure its extermination, and appropriated the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars — which was afterwards increased to fifty thousand dollars — to be used for this purpose. Three commissioners were appointed under the authority of said act, and organized March 22, 1890. The compensation of said commissioners was established by the governor and council at one thousand dollars, twelve hundred dollars and eighteen hundred dollars, respectively, for the three commissioners, — in all four thousand dollars. The tenure of office of said commissioners is fixed by section 5 of said act which declares that the “governor may terminate their commissions at his pleasure.” Acting under said authority I have this day terminated the commissions of all of said commissioners, for cause which is stated in detail in a communication to-day sent by me to the honorable the executive council.

In place of said commissioners I have nominated William R. Sessions, Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, Prof. N. S. Shaler of Cambridge, and Francis H. Appleton of Peabody, both members of the State Board of Agriculture. These nominations, in accordance with the wish of the nominees, have been made upon the distinct understanding that their services shall be given gratuitously.

The work to be done to prevent the spreading and to secure the extermination of this pest is so important that

prompt, judicious and energetic action is necessary to keep the evil from becoming wide-spread and ineradicable. Each year that any individuals of this species are allowed to remain on our soil makes the chance of its spreading the more serious. Two years ago it occupied only a small area in the town of Medford. It now has spread to some adjacent towns and, in the opinion of the late commissioners, covers a territory of at least fifty square miles; and unless at once checked it soon will be quite beyond control. If the evil cannot be arrested by the means at command of the Commonwealth, the fact should be at once ascertained. In that event it would be proper to give notice to the federal authorities, so that they may have a chance to consider what their course will be.

In my judgment this important work has not been properly done in the past, nor has it been in proper hands. I believe that a paid commission has been not only inefficient but has been substituted for a board that can and ought to assume this work and that can deal with it most efficiently and with a proper sense of responsibility. The interests that are menaced by this evil are interests in the immediate charge of the State Board of Agriculture, a body of nearly fifty persons, selected for their expert knowledge of that occupation and their willingness to contribute to its needs. When the crops of our fields and our forests are menaced by such a danger it seems especially fit to call upon this board for the services which its members can so well render. A special committee of said board, recently appointed to represent the board in "matters of legislation and agitation concerning the destruction of the gypsy moth," in a report made to me and herewith submitted for your consideration, say: "Should it seem to the Legislature desirable to commit the serious task of exterminating this insect to the State Board of Agriculture we believe it would be possible, through a committee appointed by that body, with the aid of proper experts, to deal with the danger in an efficient way."

I therefore recommend that chapter 95, Acts of 1890, establishing a paid commission for this work, be repealed, and that the unexpended balance of the appropriation heretofore made be transferred to the State Board of Agriculture to be expended under its direction, and that any further appropriation necessary to be made be thus expended. The advantages of such a course are: —

First. A needless commission, with salaries of four thousand dollars, will be abolished.

Second. This important work will be placed in the hands of a responsible body immediately in contact with the agricultural interests of the whole State.

Third. The control of the work will be in the hands of experienced men having no selfish interest or other interest than promptly and efficiently to deal with the evil and finish their work as quickly as possible.

The nominations I have made to fill the vacancies have been for the purpose of having some one in charge of the work while the matter is under consideration by the Legislature, and also to show that capable men connected with the Board of Agriculture are willing to do this work gratuitously. It was understood by them that this recommendation for the abolition of the commission would be made for your consideration.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill the message and the accompanying letter were referred to the joint committee on Rules. Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the documents were referred to the joint committee on Rules, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Hours of labor
of employees in
the Boston fire
department.

Petition, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of Francis Freeman and 82 other members of the Boston fire department, in aid of the petition of Isaac A. Williams and others, that 12 hours may constitute a day's work in said department. To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Britton of Stoughton, of the selectmen and other town officers of Avon, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Use of nets in
the waters of
Mattapoissett.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Thomas of Brockton, of Charles L. Perry and 266 others, against the legislation asked for by the petition of Lillburne Hiller and others,

relating to the use of nets in the waters of Mattapoisett. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of Patrick O'Connor and others in aid of the petition for a law to shorten the hours of labor of tour-workers in paper mills. To the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, of the selectmen, town officers, and other citizens of Medford, in aid of a petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic. To the committee on Public Health.

Use and sale
of arsenic.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of the mayor of Haverhill, for legislation allowing said city to borrow money outside its debt limit, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Wardwell the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of
Haverhill.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hunting of East Bridgewater, of Fred C. Nutter and others that the town of East Bridgewater have authority to pay Charles Drake the bounty due him from said town, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hunting the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of East
Bridgewater,—
Charles Drake.

A petition, presented by Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, of a committee of the fire district of the town of Dalton for leave to incur indebtedness to an amount not exceeding \$10,000, in addition to its existing indebtedness, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. McDonald the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Dalton.

Petition, presented by Mr. Kirby of Westport, of Irving C. Reed and others, in aid of a petition for an act forbidding the coloring of oleomargarine in imitation of butter. Placed on file.

Oleomargarine.

Joanna L. Cox.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wright of Duxbury, of Joanna L. Cox of Duxbury, for continuation of her late husband's annuity, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. The petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to sit to-day during the session of the General Court.

Bills :

Wauashacum
Lake Company.

To incorporate the Wauashacum Lake Company (reported on a petition) ; and

Boston, Revere
Beach and Lynn
Railroad
Company.

In addition to an Act authorizing the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company (reported, in part, on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Agriculture and
the mechanic
arts.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Francis A. Walker and others, in furtherance of the recommendation of the treasurer, transmitted to the Legislature by the Governor, relating to a sum of money received from the United States, now in the treasury, for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts. To the committee on Education.

Intoxicating
liquors, — local
option law.

Petition of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for the repeal of the present local option law and the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Manufacture
and sale of
confectionery
containing
alcoholic liquor.

Petition of S. B. Shapleigh and others that the manufacture and sale of confectionery containing alcoholic liquors may be prohibited. To the committee on Public Health.

City of Boston,
— South Boston
flats.

The House petition of the mayor of Boston, relative to building a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston flats and the payment of a portion of the expense by the Commonwealth, came from the Senate with the endorsement that Messrs. McNary, Bennett and Pinkerton

had been appointed as the committee of conference on the part of the Senate on the matter of difference between the two branches.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to a quarter-mill State tax for the benefit and support of the public schools of this Commonwealth, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Taxation. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Quarter-mill
tax for the
support of
public schools.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Watertown for authority to take real estate along the line of Treadaway Brook, so-called, in Watertown.

Town of
Watertown.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the joint committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the enactment of such laws or the making of such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county, city or town officials, or by the Legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them. (Mr. Bennett of the Senate, and Messrs. Barrett of Melrose, Wardwell of Haverhill, Sohler of Beverly, Powers of Hyde Park and Tucker of New Bedford, of the House, present and dissenting; Mr. Wilson of Boston, of the House, also dissents.)

Entertainment
of members of
the General
Court by
individuals or
corporations
interested in
legislation.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 90 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes so that it shall apply to the district court of Hampshire.

District court of
Hampshire.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Pentucket Savings Bank of Haverhill.

Pentucket
Savings Bank of
Haverhill.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Winthrop Loan and Trust Company.

Winthrop Loan
and Trust
Company.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the joint committee on Rules, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates

Entertainment
of members of
the General

Court by
individuals or
corporations
interested in
legislation.

to the entertainment of members of the Legislature, a Bill to prevent the entertainment of members of the General Court by persons and corporations interested in certain legislation. (Messrs. Towle and Bennett of the Senate, and Messrs. Sobier of Beverly, Powers of Hyde Park and Wilson of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Salem Building
Association.

By Mr. Stearns of Salem, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Salem Building Association to issue preferred stock.

Support of
paupers by cities
and towns.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, relating to the support of paupers by cities and towns.

State paupers,
— certificates of
admission to the
State Almshouse.

By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 21 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes relating to the State Almshouse and State paupers.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Gideon M.
Morley.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Gideon M. Morley ought to pass.

Sarah E. Geyer.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Sarah E. Geyer ought to pass.

Joseph Fernald.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Joseph Fernald ought to pass.

Hiram N.
Denham.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Hiram N. Denham ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

Orders of the
day.

On an order relative to amending section 25 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes relating to the persons holding sessions of the district courts in the absence of the justice, so as to give the justice of any court therein referred to authority to request either special justice of said court to sit any time during his absence and perform the duties of the justice; and

On an order relative to providing that a verdict shall be returned to court on the agreement of three-fourths of a jury in any case ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. L. Needham and others, for the repeal of the provisions of section 2, chapter 249, Acts of 1890, relative to the penalty for transporting woodcock, quail, or ruffed grouse out of the Commonwealth, or having them in possession with intent to transport them ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. P. S. Churchill and others, that the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk may be increased ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society ;

To provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in cities ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol ; and

To prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves :

Providing for the leasing of house numbered 13 Beacon Street for the use of various commissions and boards ; and

In favor of Harry Chapin ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the construction of a public bridge over an arm of West Falmouth harbor in the town of Falmouth was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The following order : —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate and eleven members on the part of the House, to report a plan for redividing the Commonwealth into congressional dis-

tricts; and also that the committee be authorized to employ clerical assistance and to procure and have prepared such maps, statistics and papers as may be necessary, and to make report in print, —

Was adopted, as recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886, concerning the better preservation of birds and game, as relates to pursuing any wild fowl with or by aid of a sailboat or a steam launch, and sundry petitions in aid of the same, was further considered. Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend an act for the better preservation of birds and game." After debate the substitute bill was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to administering the oath of office to tellers in town meetings was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston.

The Bill to provide for the annual election of a board of railroad commissioners was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Railroads. After debate House Rule 42 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee was amended by striking out the words "same ought not to pass," and inserting in place thereof the words "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, at twenty-five minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 26, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports, etc., Received.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture, in compliance with an order of the House of Representatives adopted Feb. 5, 1890, upon the condition of the forests of the State, the need and method of their protection, and the encouragement of tree planting; and

State Board of Agriculture, — forests.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture, in compliance with a resolution adopted by the House of Representatives May 28, 1890, as to the birds that inhabit the State, their character, habit and value as insect-destroying and fruit-destroying birds, with advice as to legislation for the protection of public and private interests;

State Board of Agriculture, — birds.

Were severally received and were severally referred to the committee on Agriculture, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Auditor of the Commonwealth, in compliance with an order of the House adopted Feb. 18, 1891, transmitting a statement of grants and allowances to sundry institutions made by the Legislature, from 1860 to 1890, inclusive, which was, on motion of Mr. Appleton of Peabody, laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (House No. 134.)

Auditor of Accounts, — grants and allowances to sundry institutions.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Friday next it be to meet on the following Tuesday, at two o'clock P.M.

Adjournment over Monday, March 2.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Petition, presented by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, of the selectmen of Shelburne for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Use and sale of
arsenic.

Petition, presented by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, of William Rotch and 74 others, in aid of the petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic. To the committee on Public Health.

Subterranean
railways in the
counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

Petition, presented by Mr. Keyes of Boston, of William F. Spear and others in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spalding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex. To the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Sale and gift of
tobacco to
minors.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Emery of Taunton, of the Hyde Park Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and of the Boston Woman's Christian Temperance Union, — severally, in aid of the order relative to amending chapter 72 of the Acts of 1886, concerning the sale and gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Anderson of Cambridge : —

Warden of the
State Prison.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending chapter 219 of the Public Statutes, relating to the Commissioners of Prisons, so that the warden of the State Prison in Charlestown may have full authority with regard to the appointment and removal of officers of said institution, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Anderson the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Boston, Revere
Beach and Lynn
Railroad Com-
pany, — Boston,
Winthrop and
Shore Railroad
Company.
Abby B.
Morton.

A Bill to confirm the locations of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company and of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company in the county of Suffolk (reported, in part, on a petition); and a

Resolve in favor of Abby B. Morton, widow of the late Marcus Morton (being a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill providing for the payment to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of fines collected in all cases of prosecution by said society, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The House Bill relating to the unlawful issuing of certificates of divorce, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by inserting in line 9, after the word "imprisonment," the words "in the jail;" also, in the same line, by striking out the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "three." Referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Certificates of divorce.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of the mayor of Lynn, in aid of the petition of the mayor of Boston for the imposition of terms and conditions upon corporations using public highways. To the committee on Cities.

Use of public highways by corporations.

Petition of Francis T. Nelson and others, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants of towns for their division. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petitions of E. M. Chamberlin and others, and of R. L. Gorman and others, — severally, for the passage of a law prohibiting employers from fining their help without due process of law.

Fining of employees.

Petitions of R. L. Gorman and others, and of H. Decker and others, — severally, that eight hours may be made the limit of a day's work for public employees.

Hours of labor of public employees.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Petition of Joseph A. Parker, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Joseph A. Parker.

Petition of J. W. Fulton and others, for a law to prevent the manufacture or sale of confectionery containing alcoholic liquors. To the committee on Public Health.

Manufacture and sale of confectionery containing alcohol.

Committee of Conference Appointed.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Tibbetts of Lynn and Savage of Lowell as the committee of conference on the part of the House, on the matter of the difference between the two branches on the House petition of the mayor of the city of Boston relative to the building

Committee of conference, — city of Boston, — South Boston flats.

of a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston flats and the payment of a portion of the expense by the Commonwealth, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

State Normal
College in
Boston.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, at the request of the parties interested, on the Bill (taken from the files of last year) establishing a State Normal College in Boston. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton.

Free Public
Library
Commission.

By Mr. Ensign of Watertown, from the committee on the Library, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Free Public Library Commission. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ensign.

Returns of
liquor licenses.

By Mr. Bingham of Manchester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns received by the Secretary of the Commonwealth from the several cities and towns, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bliss of Boston.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Elections,—
marking of
ballots.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order offered by Mr. Olmstead of Boston relative to adopting some system of voting whereby a ballot can be cast or marked once for the regular ticket of any party without the requirement that a cross shall be placed against the name of each candidate on the ballot; also, on an order offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy relative to the same subject, and also on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the same subject.

Elections,—
nomination
papers.

By Mr. Rice of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations by caucus or by nomination papers, so as to more clearly define the caucus and increase the number of signatures necessary on nomination papers.

Adulteration of
food and malt
liquors.

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Taking of blue-fish or bass in the waters of the town of Orleans.

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Barnstable County,—close season for shore and marsh birds.

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Haverhill Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

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City of Boston,—additional common councilmen.

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Payment of teachers in public schools.

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Fees of clerks of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts.

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Springfield Young Men's Christian Association.

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Merrimack
Valley Horse
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Merrimack Valley Horse Railroad Company. Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Uniformity
of legislation in
the United
States.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish a board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States ought to pass.

Civil Service
Commissioners.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize the Civil Service Commissioners to summon witnesses and take testimony ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Refunding of
certain taxes
assessed against
savings banks.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against savings banks.

William Emer-
son.

By Mr. Dyar of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William Emerson.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Message from
the Governor,—
gypsy moth.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the joint committee on Rules the message from His Excellency the Governor, concerning the Gypsy Moth Commission, with a letter from a committee of the State Board of Agriculture, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The motion to reconsider prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the reference of the message, with the accompanying letter, to the joint committee on Rules, it was, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Concerning the salary of the late Richard F. Tobin of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the city of Boston; To authorize the proprietors of the New Mattakesett Creeks in Edgartown to fish by means of seines in Katama Bay;

Relative to preserving ornamental and shade trees on the highways ;

To authorize the Proprietors of the First Universalist Meeting-house of Salem to hold additional property ;

To authorize the consolidation of the Fitchburg and Monadnock Railroad companies ;

To amend an act relating to the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, so as to provide for the appointment of additional ballot officers ;

To incorporate the Harwich Port Cemetery Association in the town of Harwich ; and

To change the name of the George F. Littlefield Shoe Company of Turner's Falls ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to administering the oath of office to tellers in town meetings ;

To authorize the Trustees of the Smith College to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay the widow of John T. Kilty, late an employee in the bridge department of said city, a sum not exceeding \$1,000 ; and

Relating to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the Board of Lunacy and Charity ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Mary Briggs ;

In favor of George Hayden ;

In favor of George P. Guerrier ;

In favor of Charles A. Dearborn ;

In favor of the estate of the late William Washburn ;

Providing for the printing of 500 extra copies of the report of the State Board of Arbitration ; and

Relating to the transfer of certain military property to the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Watertown for authority to take real estate along the line of Treadaway Brook, so called, in Watertown, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to the support of paupers by cities and towns ;

To amend section 90 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes so that it shall apply to the district court of Hampshire ;

To authorize the Salem Building Association to issue preferred stock ;

To incorporate the Pentucket Savings Bank of Haverhill ;

To amend section 21 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes relating to the State almshouse and State paupers ; and

In addition to an act authorizing the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Hiram N. Denham ;

In favor of Sarah E. Geyer ;

In favor of Gideon M. Morley ; and

In favor of Joseph Fernald ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the joint committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the enactment of such laws or the making of such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county, city or town officials, or by the Legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them, was considered. Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to protect and purify the public service," which was read. Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Quincy

of Quincy moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow. After debate, the motion prevailed by a vote of 96 to 69.

The Bill to incorporate the Winthrop Loan and Trust Company was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Lane of Springfield, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 100 to 48.

The Bill to prevent the entertainment of members of the General Court by persons and corporations interested in certain legislation was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, after debate, laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill.

The Bill to incorporate the Waushacum Lake Company was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Emery of Taunton, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in cities was read a third time and considered. Pending the debate, the Speaker ordered the doors to be closed, and called for a count of the House, and it appeared that 103 members were present. Mr. Lomasney of Boston moved that the doors be opened, which motion was lost. After further debate the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, at twenty-eight minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 27, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders Adopted.

Committee on
Public Health,—
stenographer.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to employ a stenographer in the hearings upon legislation relative to the sale and use of arsenic.

Sent up for concurrence.

Contested
election,—
James D.
Doherty,—
seventh Suffolk
representative
district.

On motion of Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Elections be authorized to send for persons and papers in the matter of the “petition of James D. Doherty for a recount of the votes in the seventh Suffolk district, and that he may be declared to be the representative from that district.”

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Fletcher of Lancaster, of the selectmen, chairman of school committee, overseers of the poor and other citizens of Boylston, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Hampden
County,—trout.

Petition, presented by Mr. Dickinson of Springfield, of W. F. Sturtevant and 63 others, in aid of the order relative to amending the law as to the taking of trout so that trout may be taken in Hampden County between April 1 and September 1. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Rules, to whom was transmitted on February 2 a petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts, asking for legislation

on subject-matters proper for the consideration of several different committees, reported that the petitioner had submitted as a substitute five petitions which, taken together, cover the same ground as the original petition, and recommending that the petitioner now have leave to withdraw, without prejudice as to the original petition, and that the accompanying substitute petitions be referred according to the endorsements entered upon them by the committee on Rules. The report was read and accepted, and the petitions were severally referred, as recommended, as follows:—

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for the adoption in the government of cities of the Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate.

Government of cities, — Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate.
Cities, — erection and rental of dwelling-houses.

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for legislation permitting cities to erect dwelling-houses and let the same at a rental.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for the adoption in the legislative system of the Commonwealth of the Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate, and of an equitable method of minority representation. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate, — minority representation in the Legislature.

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for legislation modifying the compulsory school age, requiring school attendance throughout the school year, and providing for manual training. To the committee on Education.

Attendance in the public schools, — manual training.

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts that municipalities may be enabled to establish plants for the manufacture of gas and electricity, and establish industries for the unemployed. To the committee on Manufactures.

Manufacture of gas and electricity by cities and towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of additional legislation to provide for the support and maintenance of children in cases where parents fail to duly provide for the same, —

Support and maintenance of children in certain cases.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Quincy the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Appointment of
probation
officers.

A Bill (taken from the Senate files of last year) to provide for the appointment of probation officers was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons.

Geological
Survey, — atlas
maps of
Massachusetts.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate), relative to printing an edition of the atlas maps of Massachusetts as prepared and engraved by the Geological Survey, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Printing, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Commissioners
of Savings
Banks, —
mortgage loan
companies.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the 15th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to mortgage loan companies. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the message from the Governor concerning the recommendations and suggestions of the heads of departments as relates to the erection of a cottage for little children at Monson, and also the unsanitary condition of the State Primary School at Monson. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Curtis.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Use of tobacco
by minors.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 72 of the Acts of the year 1886, relative to the sale and gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age, so that no child actually or apparently under sixteen years of age shall smoke, or in any way use, any cigar, cigarette, or tobacco in any form

whatever, in any public street, place or resort. (Mr. Gould of Chelsea present and dissenting.)

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the trial in one action of the different claimants for rewards offered by corporations or individuals.

Recovery of rewards.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill amending section 6 of chapter 85 of the Public Statutes relating to the continuance of hearings on bastardy complaints.

Continuance of hearings on bastardy complaints.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill to dissolve the Revere Co-operative Bank.

Revere Co-operative Bank.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill to dissolve the Canadian Co-operative Bank in the city of Lowell.

Canadian Co-operative Bank in Lowell.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill to dissolve the Shawme Savings Bank in the town of Sandwich.

Shawme Savings Bank in Sandwich.

By Mr. Lane of Gloucester, from the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill to divide Ward 6 in the city of Gloucester into two voting precincts.

City of Gloucester, — voting precincts.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Wachusett Club of Haverhill.

Wachusett Club of Haverhill.

By Mr. Swallow of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Boston Society of Natural History to hold additional real and personal estate.

Boston Society of Natural History.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Caledonian Club in the city of Boston.

Caledonian Club in Boston.

By Mr. Thurston of Enfield, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Home for Aged Women in Waltham.

Home for Aged Women in Waltham.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Waltham
Savings Bank.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against the Waltham Savings Bank.

Fifth Massachusetts
Regiment
Association.

By Mr. Marston of Amesbury, from the committee on Federal Relations, on a petition, a Resolve granting an allowance to the Thirty-Fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association.

George Golbert.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of George Golbert.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Licensing of
conductors,
drivers and
despatchers of
street railway
cars in cities.

Mr. Shaw of New Bedford moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in cities. After debate the motion was lost.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the District Police ;

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the construction of a public bridge over an arm of West Falmouth harbor in the town of Falmouth (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

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To confirm the locations of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company and of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company in the county of Suffolk ; and the

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Resolve in favor of Abby B. Morton, widow of the late Marcus Morton ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to the support of paupers by cities and towns ;

To amend section 90 of chapter 167 of the Public Statutes so that it shall apply to the district court of Hampshire ;

To authorize the Salem Building Association to issue preferred stock ;

To amend section 21 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes relating to the State Almshouse and State paupers ; and

To incorporate the Pentucket Savings Bank of Haverhill ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Hiram N. Denham ;

In favor of Sarah E. Geyer ;

In favor of Gideon M. Morley ; and

In favor of Joseph Fernald ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an act authorizing the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting such laws or making such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county, city or town officials, or by the Legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them, was further considered. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, in section 3, line 6, by inserting after the word "purposes" the words "except executive officers elected by vote of the people of the whole State, members of

Congress and judges of the supreme, superior and probate courts." After debate, Mr. Carter of Wakefield moved the previous question. Pending this question and pending the amendments and the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House, under the rule, at half-past two o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 3, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

Message from
the Governor,—
manufacture of
clothing in tenement
houses.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, together with reports of the inspection department of the District Police, concerning the system of manufacturing clothing in tenement houses, both in New York and in this State. (House, No. 149.) The message, and the accompanying reports, were laid on the table and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy. The message was read as follows:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
BOSTON, March 3, 1891.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

My attention was called some time since to the system of manufacturing clothing in tenement houses both in New York and in this State, and it was alleged that such system, popularly known as the "sweating system," was dangerous to the public health and that it produced a condition of life and labor that was highly injurious to the public interests.

I have deemed the matter of sufficient importance to call for a thorough investigation by officers of the inspection department of the State District Police. By my direction such an investigation has been made both in New York and here. I submit herewith the report of such investigation made to me by the Chief of the District Police and the reports of the officers detailed by him for this work.

I call your attention to the opinion of the Chief expressed in his report, as follows: "The investigations made by this department fully corroborate the testimony of others in their complaints of the uncleanly and too often filthy surroundings attending the manufacture of clothing in New York tenement houses, and the large amount manufactured for dealers in ready-made clothing in Boston alone calls for legislative intervention for the protection of our citizens from the infected product of New York tenement houses."

I call your attention also to the fifth annual report of the Factory Inspectors of the State of New York, transmitted to the legislature of that State, January 26, 1891, and especially to pages twenty-seven to twenty-nine in which they deal with this subject. In it they say: "If ever an epidemic occurs in this country these 'sweet shops' will be potent factors in propagating the germs of the plague. The clothing made in them affords exceptional means for distributing disease, more especially as it is usually of a cheap grade and is mostly sold to people who have not always the opportunity, even if they had the desire, to guard against contagion by habits of personal cleanliness and home surroundings of a healthy character."

I recommend a full enquiry by you into this matter through your proper committee.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

Expenses of Committees.

A report was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in compliance with Joint Rule No. 3, submitting a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending Feb. 28, 1891, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 145). Placed on file.

Expenses of committees of the General Court.

General William T. Sherman.

The following letter was received from the family of the late General William T. Sherman, which was read and placed on file:—

NO. 75 WEST 71ST STREET, NEW YORK, February 26, 1891.

The family of General Sherman, deeply moved by your warm testimonial of sympathy and by your high encomium of their father, desire to offer to the House of Representatives of the State of Massachusetts this grateful acknowledgment of the high honor paid to the memory of General Sherman by the resolutions and the action of your august assembly.

General William T. Sherman.

On behalf of the family,

THOMAS EWING SHERMAN.
P. T. SHERMAN.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Petition, presented by Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, of George M. Murray and 43 others; by Mr. Handley of Acton, of the selectmen and other town officers of Stow;

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

by Mr. Flood of North Adams, of the chairman of the selectmen and other citizens of North Adams; by Mr. Ripley of Montague, of the selectmen of Gill; by Mr. Emery of Taunton, of the selectmen and other town officers of Berkley; by Mr. Newell of Rowe, of the selectmen and town clerk of Buckland, and of the selectmen and other town officers of Colrain; and by Mr. Williams of Dudley, of the selectmen and town clerk of Dudley, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Use and sale of
arsenic.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of S. S. Besse and 25 others, and by Mr. Hemenway of Canton, of J. Sumner Webb and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Woman's Char-
ity Club Hos-
pital.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hickox of Williamstown, of O. J. Brown and others, in aid of the petition of Julia K. Dyer for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Thompson &
Baker Coal
Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, of the Thompson and Baker Coal Company, that its name may be changed to the N. A. Thompson Coal Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Lawrence, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Waldo F. Miles.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hobson of Lowell, of Willis H. Bean and others, that compensation may be allowed to Waldo F. Miles for injuries received while on militia duty, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hobson, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of the selectmen of Edgartown, that Isaac D. Pease may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mayhew, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Isaac D. Pease.

A petition, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of the City Solicitor of New Bedford, for legislation confirming the acceptance by said city of chapter 342 of the Acts of 1890, relative to a board of public works for the city of New Bedford, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Butler, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

City of New Bedford,—
board of public works.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Adrian B. Smith, assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston, for an increase of salary ; and

Salary of assistant clerk of South Boston municipal court.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the official stenographers of the superior court for an increase of compensation and an allowance for travelling expenses ;

Official stenographers of the superior court.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Frank J. Tuttle, clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

Salary of clerk of the South Boston municipal court.

A Bill ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain tracks of land in the town of Winthrop, Massachusetts (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Purchase by the United States of certain tracts of land in the town of Winthrop.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—
Petitions of Sanford B. Cook and others, and of H. B. Hodgkin and another, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants of towns for their division.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Manufacture
and sale of con-
fectionery con-
taining alcohol.

Petitions of F. A. Gaskill and others, and of Nathaniel B. Fisk and others, — severally, for a law to prevent the manufacture and sale of confectionery containing alcoholic liquors.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston,
—West End
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Wright of Duxbury, from the committee on Street Railways, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of William Power Wilson that chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the West End Street Railway Company, may be so amended as to confer upon the city of Boston power to attach terms and conditions to the grant of a location under said act, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Cities. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the message of the Governor concerning recommendations and suggestions of the heads of departments as relates to providing elsewhere for certain classes of women now detained in the Reformatory Prison for Women. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Certificates of
divorce.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the House bill relating to the unlawful issuing of certificates of divorce. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the Senate amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Examination of
school systems
in the several
States.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the appointment of a competent person o

persons to examine the school systems and methods of instruction in other States of these United States or beyond their limits, or both.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the same committee, Gift of school books to pupils. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing towns to allow pupils on leaving the public schools to receive as a gift from the town, a part or all of the books studied during the last year of their attendance in said school.

By Mr. Hall of Waltham, from the committee on State and municipal election days to be legal holidays. Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the days on which State and municipal elections are held legal holidays.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the committee on Support of paupers in State lunatic hospitals. Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 32 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes, relating to expenses for the support of paupers in State lunatic hospitals.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Salary of third clerk in the insurance department. Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the third clerk of the insurance department.

By Mr. Brophy of Framingham, from the same committee, Salary of the treasurer of Hampden County. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the treasurer of the county of Hampden.

By Mr. Britton of Stoughton, from the committee on Hoosac Valley Street Railway Company. Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. Q. Richmond, president of the Hoosac Valley Street Railway Company, for authority to issue mortgage bonds for refunding bonds of a prior issue and its floating debt.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, from the committee on Boston Towboat Company. Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston Towboat Company to increase its capital stock.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Eliza G. Lamson. Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill concerning the trust estate left by Eliza G. Lamson.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Robert Ball Edes. Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Robert Ball Edes ought to pass.

Henry J. Cross. By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Henry J. Cross ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Lemuel Burr. By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :
 Bills enacted. To incorporate the trustees of the James Arnold Fund (which originated in the House) ; and
 To prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter (which originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :
 Orders of the day. Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :
 On an order relative to enacting a law which shall require all persons having charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers to be licensed by some proper board or authority ; and
 On an order relative to providing by law for the trial in one action of the different claimants for rewards offered by corporations or individuals ;
 Were severally accepted.
 The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations by caucus or by nomination papers, so as to more clearly define the caucus and increase the number of signatures necessary on nomination papers, was recommended to the committee on Election Laws, on motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston.

Bills :
 To incorporate the Mechanic's Savings Bank of Reading ;
 To incorporate the Haverhill Safe Deposit and Trust Company in the city of Haverhill ;

To change the name of the Home for Aged Women in Waltham ;

To dissolve the Revere Co-operative Bank ;

To dissolve the Canadian Co-operative Bank in the city of Lowell ;

To dissolve the Shawme Savings Bank in the town of Sandwich ;

To divide Ward 6 in the city of Gloucester into two voting precincts ;

To incorporate the Wachusett Club of Haverhill ;

To enable the Boston Society of Natural History to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Relating to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court ;

Amending section 6 of chapter 85 of the Public Statutes relating to the continuance of hearings on bastardy complaints ; and

To amend an act to incorporate the Caledonian Club in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex ;

To amend an act relating to the election of members of the common council from Wards 22 and 25 in the city of Boston ;

Relating to the fees of clerks of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts ;

To authorize the Civil Service Commissioners to summon witnesses and take testimony ;

To establish a board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States ;

For the consolidation of the Springfield Young Men's Christian Association and the Armory Hill Young Men's Christian Association of Springfield ; and

To change the name of the Merrimack Valley Horse Railroad Company ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Waushacum Lake Company ; and

To confirm the locations of the Boston, Revere Beach

and Lynn Railroad Company, and of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company in the county of Suffolk ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the enactment of such laws or the making of such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county, city or town officials, or by the legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them, was further considered. After debate the pending motion for the previous question was lost. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy to the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by adding at the end of section 3 the following words : — “ The term ‘ entertainment extended ’ in line 4, section 1, shall be construed to include transportation for such persons or for property by any means whatsoever.” On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, it was voted that debate on the report and pending amendments be closed at five minutes past four o’clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, the report with the pending amendments was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until December 1, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day, by a vote of 147 to 23.

The Bill to incorporate the Winthrop Loan and Trust Company was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, the orders of the day were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to prevent the entertainment of members of the General Court by persons and corporations interested in certain legislation was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Mellen, postponed for further consideration until December 1, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

The orders of the day having been taken from the table, ^{Orders of the day.} on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill to incorporate the Winthrop Loan and Trust Company was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Pending the debate on this question the Speaker ordered the doors to be closed, and called for a count of the House. A count showed that 114 members were present. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, —

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, at thirteen minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 4, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Kirby of Westport, of the town officers of the town of Westport; by Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, of the chairman of the selectmen and other citizens of Westborough; by Mr. Judd of South Hadley, of the selectmen of Hadley; by Mr. Knowlton of Hamilton, of the selectmen, town clerk and others of Hamilton; by Mr. Clapp of Deerfield, of the selectmen and other town officers of Leverett; by Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, of the selectmen and other town officers of Warren; by Mr. Whitney of North Attleborough, of the selectmen and town clerk of Norton; and by Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, of the selectmen and ten others of Eastham,—severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Woman's
Charity Club
Hospital.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hall of Waltham, of A. K. Miller and others, in aid of the petition of Julia K. Dyer for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Labor of
prisoners in
penal institu-
tions.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Bliss of Boston, of George Plummer & Co., and by Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, of Charles Perry and others,—severally, in aid of the petition of John L. Whiting & Sons, that the number of persons in penal institutions employed in the making of brushes may be limited.

Severally to the committee on Prisons.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of Allen T. Hodge and others for legislation protecting citizens against compulsory medical treatment or surgical operations and protecting minors from such treatment or operations against the will of parents and guardians. To the committee on Public Health.

Compulsory medical treatment or surgical operations.

Petition, presented by Mr. Hall of Waltham, of Enos T. Luce and others, in aid of the petition of Henry Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex. To the committee on Street Railways.

Subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex

Petitions, presented by Mr. Child of Swanzey, of Daniel P. Shove and others; by Mr. Withington of Newburyport, of Frank Perkins and others; and by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of I. Brown and others,—severally, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation.

Taxation of personal property.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Petition, presented by Mr. Harding of Medfield, of the Wellesley Woman Suffrage League, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Breen of Boston, of the mayor of the city of Boston, for legislation authorizing the construction of a sea wall and the extension of the Charles River embankment, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Breen, the 12th and 9th joint rules were suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference with instructions.

City of Boston, — Charles River embankment.

A petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of Richard Tauscher and others, that the city council of Holyoke may be authorized to change the ward lines so as to include Springdale in ward three, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Buckley, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the peti-

City of Holyoke.

tion was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Statue to
General Charles
Devens.

A petition, presented by Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, of Arthur A. Smith, Commander, Department of Massachusetts, G. A. R., for an appropriation for a statue to General Charles Devens, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Fairbanks, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Benjamin F.
Brown.

A petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of Benjamin F. Brown, for legislation confirming his acts as a justice of the peace, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Barrett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Constitutional
amendment, —
biennial
elections.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of Samuel M. Hall and others, against any action favoring biennial elections or biennial sessions of the General Court, was placed on file.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Barrett of Malden:

Gypsy Moth
Commission, —
recovery of
damages for
injuries to
personal
property.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 95 of the Acts of the year 1890, providing against depredations of the gypsy moth, so that damages may be recovered for injuries to personal property committed under the Gypsy Moth Commission, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Barrett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Cultivation
and protection

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2

of chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to encouraging the raising of choice breeds of domestic animals and poultry, and for the association and accommodation of societies, and maintaining reading-rooms, libraries or social meetings, by adding thereto substantially the following words: "or for the cultivation of fish in inland waters and for the protection of the same;" and

of fish in inland waters.

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton;

Salary of the clerk of the Newton police court.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House order, "That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, as defined by chapter 427 of the Acts of 1889, so as to give him general supervision of other foreign corporations doing business in this State, and especially of those selling stocks and bonds and securities other than mortgages," recommending that the order should be adopted, in a new draft, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, and the order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bennett of Everett, as follows:—

Committee of conference,—
Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, as defined by chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1889, so as to give him general supervision of foreign corporations, other than railroad, steamboat, electric, gas and brewing corporations, doing business in this State, and especially of those selling stocks, bonds and securities other than mortgages.

Bills:

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Worcester (reported on a petition);

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk; and

Providing for a clerk for the police court of Chicopee; (Severally reported on an order);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salaries of county commissioners of Worcester County.

Salaries of the county commissioners of Norfolk County.

Clerk of the police court of Chicopee.

Suffolk County,
— officers of
the supreme
judicial court.

A Bill relating to certain officers in attendance upon the supreme judicial court for the county of Suffolk, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Woodchucks.

Petition of the Marshfield Agricultural and Horticultural Society for legislation providing for a suitable reward for the destruction of ground hogs or woodchucks. To the committee on Agriculture.

Manufacture
and sale of con-
fectionery con-
taining alcohol.

Petitions of George L. Coleman and others, and of Francis S. Babbitt and others, — severally, for a law to prevent the manufacture and sale of confectionery containing alcoholic liquors.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Reports of Committees.

Filing of
nomination
papers.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to fixing the hour of the day at which the filing of nominations with the town clerk shall close ; also of preventing the filing of nomination papers on Sunday (for the reason that the matter has been already embodied in a bill). Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sprague, and sent up for concurrence.

Public water
supplies.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to a general law in reference to public water supplies. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Finney, and sent up for concurrence.

Contested
election, —
Herman Bird
Fourth Middle-
sex District.

By Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, from the committee on Elections, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Herman Bird for a recount of the vote for representative to the General Court in the Fourth Middlesex District at the election held Nov. 4, 1890 (House No. 155), and recommending that the testimony submitted with the report be placed on file. The report was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, and the testimony was placed on file as recommended by the committee.

Wild fowl.

By Mr. Ellis of Boston, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John

S. Nicholson and 103 others for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15.

By Mr. Keliber of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James L. Anthony and others for an act of incorporation as the Old Colony Ship Canal Company for the purpose of constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay.

Old Colony Ship Canal Company.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the support, either wholly or in part, of dependent families, through the enforced labor of husbands and fathers, who, either as idlers or criminals, leave them to suffer.

Support of dependent families.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for permanent court auditors for the Supreme, Superior and Probate Courts.

Permanent auditors of the supreme, superior and probate courts.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing that the district police shall have the same power and authority over the construction and operation of freight elevators that they now have over passenger elevators.

District police, — freight elevators.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. McFarland of Wales, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Fall River Loan and Trust Company in the city of Fall River.

Fall River Loan and Trust Company.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to anticipate its authority to borrow money within its debt limit for any current municipal year.

City of Boston, — borrowing of money.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Everett to improve its water supply and to issue scrip or bonds for the payment and refunding of its water debt.

Town of Everett, — water supply.

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan.

City of Lynn, — water loan.

By Mr. Smith of Mansfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Arlington to

Town of Arlington, — water bonds.

issue scrip or bonds for the payment or refunding of its water indebtedness.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Joshua C. Robbins.

By Mr. Handley of Acton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Joshua C. Robbins.

Simon E. Young.

By Mr. Dyar of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Simon E. Young.

Levi B. Kelley.

By Mr. Turner of Middleborough, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Levi B. Kelley.

Pollution of great ponds.

By Mr. Frazer of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Resolve relative to the discharge of sewage, chemicals or waste products injurious to the public health into the great ponds or streams of this Commonwealth.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motions to Reconsider.

Entertainment of State, county, city or town officials by corporations or individuals.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford being in the chair, Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, postponed for further consideration until December 1, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day, the report of the joint committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the enactment of such laws and the making of such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county, city or town officials, or by the legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them, and pending amendments thereto. After debate, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Entertainment of members of the General Court by persons and corporations.

The same gentleman moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, postponed for further consideration until December 1, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day, the Bill to prevent the entertainment of members of the General Court by persons and corporations interested in certain legislation, which motion was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Mr. Richardson of Winthrop moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting a law which shall require all persons having charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers to be licensed by some proper board or authority, which motion was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston.

Licensing of persons in charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Petersham Memorial Library ;

Relating to the unlawful issuing of certificates of divorce ;

To amend an act to incorporate the trustees of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry ;

Requiring assessors of cities and towns to make returns to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number and value of fowl assessed ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In addition to an act authorizing the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Biennial Elections and Poll Tax Resolves.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, —

Voted, That the debate on the resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections be closed at 4 o'clock P.M., and that the taking of the yeas and nays upon the question of agreeing to the same be specially assigned for 4.30 o'clock P.M., and that the taking of the yeas and nays upon the question of agreeing to the resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters be specially assigned for immediately after the announcement of the vote upon the biennial election resolves ; and that all speeches upon either of the aforesaid resolves be limited to ten minutes.

Constitutional amendments, — biennial elections, — poll tax.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The Bill to incorporate the Winthrop Loan and Trust Company, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the previous question was ordered. The bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court were further considered, the question being on agreeing, in concurrence, to the articles of amendment. At four o'clock, under a previous vote of the House, the debate was closed, and the House proceeded to the consideration of the

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives, the question being on agreeing, in concurrence, to the article of amendment.

Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House voted to specially assign the vote on the question of agreeing to the biennial elections amendment at half-past four o'clock, which motion prevailed, and the recurring question on specially assigning the vote was lost.

On the question on agreeing, in concurrence, to the articles of amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, the yeas and nays were taken, and, the roll being called, the articles of amendment were not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative, and notice was sent to the Senate. The vote was 116 yeas to 101 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Brown, George H.
Austin, J. Lewis	Bucklin, Andrew J.
Barrett, Harry H.	Bullard, Henry B.
Barrett, Richard F.	Bullock, Walter J. D.
Bill, Ledyard	Butler, W. M.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Carpenter, Erastus P.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Carpenter, George N.
Britton, Henry W.	Chester, Dwight
Brooks, Ethan	Clapp, James W.

Messrs. Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clarke, George E.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hinds, John F.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.

Messrs. Leslie, Horace G.
 Lewis, James A.
 Loud, John C.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Plummer, John M.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Ramage, James
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Weston, Thomas
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Wilson, William Power
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Worcester, Charles F.
 Wright, William J.

NATS.

Messrs.	Anderson, Stephen	Messrs.	Kelly, Charles A.
	Babson, Fitz J.		Knox, James W.
	Bacheller, Charles M.		Ladd, Nathaniel W.
	Baker, Charles H.		Lane, Howard G.
	Bartlett, Robert G.		Lanigan, Andrew M.
	Bennett, Frank P.		Lomasney, Joseph P.
	Bicknell, Zechariah L.		Longley, Henry C.
	Bingham, Henry T.		Luby, Patrick B.
	Boodey, Charles H.		Lynch, John B.
	Breen, Daniel F.		Mahoney, Cornelius E.
	Bright, Elmer H.		Marston, Dudley J.
	Brock, Lemuel M.		McCarthy, Daniel
	Brophy, James L.		McDonald, Peter J.
	Buckley, William P.		McEnaney, Thomas O.
	Cannon, Patrick		McEttrick, Michael J.
	Cannon, William		McKenna, George B.
	Carroll, Michael		McLean, Isaac
	Carter, James H.		McLoughlin, John T.
	Carter, Richard A.		McNamara, Jeremiah J.
	Chance, Charles J.		McSolla, Richard F.
	Charles, Salem D.		Meade, William E.
	Coffey, John H.		Mellen, James H.
	Crowley, Jeremiah J.		Mitchell, Michael J.
	Curtis, Samuel N.		Mooney, William L.
	Danforth, John M.		Moreau, Louis E. P.
	Davis, Squire S.		Moriarty, Eugene M.
	Dewey, Henry S.		O'Brien, John
	Ellis, Edward C.		O'Brien, John J.
	Fallon, J. Otis		O'Neil, Eugene J.
	Fallon, Thomas F.		Parker, James O.
	Fears, Isaac P.		Penney, Alonzo
	Finney, Elkanah		Peterson, Benjamin F.
	Gale, John A.		Pomeroy, John P.
	Gammons, Benjamin		Pratt, Amasa
	Golding, John		Quinn, Patrick J.
	Haggerty, Roger		Rady, Andrew J.
	Harriman, Charles H.		Raftery, Patrick H.
	Heffernan, Edward J.		Reid, James
	Heffernin, Patrick J.		Richardson, Arthur C.
	Henderson, Charles W.		Rideout, Malcolm E.
	Herrod, Edward E.		Ripley, Samuel E.
	Hinckley, Charles E.		Rosnosky, Isaac
	Hobson, Charles H.		Salter, John J.
	Howard, Timothy		Savage, Patrick J.
	Hurley, John T.		Shaw, Ebenezer
	Johnson, Henry H.		Smith, Elvin L.
	Keliher, Thomas J.		Sparhawk, Henry C.

Messrs. Sullivan, Michael F.	Messrs. Tilton, Frank B.
Taft, Henry G.	Warren, Bentley W.
Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Waterman, Eben B.
Tilden, Charles A.	

Yeas, 116 ; Nays, 101.

The following pairs were announced : —

PAIRS.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Turner, Henry E.	Messrs. Hodges, William (present)
Swallow, George N. (present)	Presho, Edward W.

On the question on agreeing, in concurrence, to the article of amendment to the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives, the yeas and nays were taken, and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was agreed to, in concurrence, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 161 yeas to 55 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Cannon, William
Appleton, Francis H.	Capen, Robert P.
Austin, J. Lewis	Carpenter, Erastus P.
Babson, Fitz J.	Carpenter, George N.
Bachelor, Charles M.	Carroll, Michael
Baker, Charles H.	Carter, James H.
Barrett, Harry H.	Carter, Richard A.
Barrett, Richard F.	Chance, Charles J.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Charles, Salem D.
Bennett, Frank P.	Chester, Dwight
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Bingham, Henry T.	Clark, Louis M.
Boodey, Charles H.	Coffey, John H.
Breen, Daniel F.	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Bright, Elmer H.	Curtis, Francis C.
Britton, Henry W.	Curtis, Samuel N.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Davis, Squire S.
Brophy, James L.	Day, Frederick B.
Brown, George H.	Ellis, Edward C.
Buckley, William P.	Emery, S. Hopkins
Bullard, Henry B.	Ensign, Charles S.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Fairbanks, John W.
Butler, William M.	Fallon, J. Otis
Cannon, Patrick	Fallon, Thomas F.

Messrs. Finney, Elkanah
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gale, John A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Hunting, Amos
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McKenna, George B.

Messrs. McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meade, William E.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Read, Franklin F.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Salter, John J.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Shaw, Ebenezer
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sobier, William D.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Swallow, George N.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.

Messrs. Tucker, George F.
Turner, Charles W.
Tuttle, William H. H.
Wardwell, J. Otis
Warren, Bentley W.
Waterman, Eben C.
Weston, Thomas

Messrs. Wetherell, Barney T.
Wier, Fred N.
Wilson, William Power
Woodsum, B. Herbert
Worcester, Charles F.
Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bill, Ledyard
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Brooks, Ethan
Bucklin, Andrew J.
Clapp, James W.
Clarke, George E.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Converse, Morton E.
Corbett, Myron L.
Danforth, John M.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dickinson, Henry S.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Fales, Nathan H.
Ferren, Myron J.
Gammons, Benjamin
Greene, Edward W.
Harding, N. Frank
Hickox, Stephen A.
Hinkley, Charles E.
Hinds, John F.
Horton, Everett S.
Howard, S. Edward
Howe, Edward C.
Howe, S. Augustus
Keyes, Charles G.

Messrs. Kimball, John W.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Knox, James W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lawrence, William B.
Longley, Henry C.
Marston, Dudley J.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McFarland, Herbert A.
Monk, Hiram A.
Moore, Charles
Murray, Michael J.
Newell, Charles B.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Plummer, John M.
Pratt, Amasa
Rice, William H.
Sawyer, Samuel L.
Shaw, Charles F.
Smith, Charles S.
Stevens, William S.
Taft, Henry G.
Wheaton, Henry C.
White, Franklin B.
Whitney, Edwin
Wilder, Aaron O.
Williams, Hezekiah W.

Yeas, 161 ; Nays, 55.

The following pairs were announced : —

PAIRS.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Presho, Edward W. Messrs. Loud, John C. (present)
Goddard, Edward A. (present) Lord, Lucien

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows : —

Resolved, That the following article of amendment, having been agreed to by a majority of the Senators and

two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, and having been entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, in the year last past, and referred to the present General Court and published according to law, and being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption.

Article of Amendment.

So much of article three of the amendments of the Constitution of the Commonwealth as is contained in the following words: "And who shall have paid, by himself, or his parent, master or guardian, any state or county tax, which shall, within two years next preceding such election, have been assessed upon him in any town or district of this Commonwealth; and also every citizen who shall be by law exempted from taxation, and who shall be in all other respects qualified as above mentioned," is hereby annulled.

On motion of Mr. Frazer of Boston, at twenty-eight minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 5, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and were severally referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Part Third of the Report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, relating to abandoned farms in Massachusetts. To the committee on Agriculture.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor,—
abandoned
farms.

Second annual report of the commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations.

Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage
Corporations.

Abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, during the year 1890.

Abstract of
certificates of
corporations.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Petition, presented by Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, of Edward T. Ripley and twelve others; by Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, of the American Bobbin Spool and Shuttle Company; and by Mr. Wilson of Boston, of H. O. Lothrop & Co. and twelve others,—severally, in aid of the petition of John L. Whiting & Sons, that the number of persons in penal institutions employed in the making of brushes may be limited.

Labor of
prisoners in
penal
institutions.

Severally to the committee on Prisons.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, of the Worcester County Homœopathic Medical Society, for an act to regulate or prohibit the manufacture of articles containing arsenic. To the committee on Public Health.

Use and sale of
arsenic.

Woman
suffrage.

Petition, presented by Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Sandwich, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections, and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Tuberculosis
in cattle.

A report of the Senate committee on the Treasury, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Health into the dangers to human life and health arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference.

Inspectors of
liquors.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to so amending section 29 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors, as to provide for the appointment of one or more inspectors of liquors in cities or towns of this Commonwealth where licenses are granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the committee on Public Health, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, and, on motion of Mr. Day of Boston, Rule 15 was suspended.

Re-division of
the Common-
wealth into con-
gressional dis-
tricts.

The House report of the joint committee on Rules, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to the re-division of the Commonwealth into new congressional districts, recommending the adoption of the following order:—

“*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate and eleven members on the part of the House, to report a plan for re-dividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts; and also that the committee be authorized to employ clerical assistance and to procure and have prepared such maps, statistics and papers as may be necessary and to make report in print,”—

Came down accepted, in concurrence, and the order was

adopted, in concurrence, amended by inserting after the word "districts" the words "upon a non-partisan basis." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

A Bill to amend an Act relating to sales of goods, wares and merchandise taken into a city or town to be sold by auction, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Auction sales of goods, wares and merchandise.

A report of the State Board of Health on the inspection of food and drugs, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1889, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

State Board of Health, — inspection of food and drugs.

The following House order came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of additional legislation to provide for the support and maintenance of children where parents fail to duly provide for the same.

Support of children.

The House petition of the City Solicitor of New Bedford for legislation confirming the acceptance by said city of chapter 342 of the Acts of 1890, relative to a board of public works for the city of New Bedford, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

City of New Bedford, — board of public works.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to the amount to be paid for tuition of children attending school in cities or towns where the parents or guardians of such children do not reside, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the committee on Taxation. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Schools, — tuition of children.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School for authority to confer degrees.

Young Men's Christian Association Training School.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. E. Watkins and

General law for incorporation of universities,

colleges and
literary and
scientific
institutions.

others for a general law for the incorporation of universities, colleges, and literary and scientific institutions.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Parkhurst, and sent up for concurrence.

Employers'
liability.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. J. Moran and others, for an amendment of the Employers' Liability Act, increasing the liability to \$10,000.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the provisions as to notice of injury under the act relating to the liability of employers for personal injuries suffered by employees.

Recording of
leases and
conditional bills
of sale of
personal
property.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide for the recording of all leases and conditional bills of sale of personal property.

Sale of cigars
and tobacco on
the Lord's Day.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the observance of the Lord's Day, so that druggists and apothecaries may be allowed to sell cigars and tobacco on Sunday.

Id.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. M. Hyams and others, that cigars and tobacco may be allowed to be sold on the Lord's Day.

Opening of
barber shops on
the Lord's Day.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles Filisetti, for legislation to allow barbers to keep shops open on Sunday.

Applications for
pardon of
criminals.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all applications for the pardon of criminals shall be published in such papers of this State as may be deemed necessary, that the people may be duly informed concerning said applications.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring the publication in at least one newspaper in each county of the Commonwealth of all applications for the pardon of State prison convicts.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joanna Tucker, next of kin of John Lovett, that she may be allowed a sum of money which was standing to the credit of John Lovett on the books of the State Hospital at Tewksbury, at the time of his decease as an inmate of that institution.

Joanna Tucker,
— John Lovett.

By Mr. Williams of Dudley, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will permit the offering of premiums, purses or stakes, by associations or societies organized for the encouragement of, and improvement in, breeding of domestic animals.

Premiums offered by agricultural societies.

By Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, from the committee on Taxation, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to amending clause 3 of section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes, so as to provide for the proper assessment of live stock on farms which are divided by town lines.

Taxation of live stock on farms divided by town lines.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill relating to sittings of the Superior Court in Barnstable County.

Barnstable County,—sittings of the Superior Court.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 158 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the northern district of Bristol County.

Bristol County,—registry of deeds for the northern district.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to disbarred attorneys.

Disbarred attorneys-at-law.

By Mr. Mooney of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, on petitions, a Bill to amend chapter 259 of the Acts of 1889, relating to the court house at Taunton.

Court house at Taunton.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to issue bonds beyond its debt limit for the purpose of constructing a system of sewers.

City of Taunton,—sewerage.

By Mr. Greene of North Andover, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order, a Bill to amend an act relative to the fisheries in the town of Westport.

Town of Westport,—fisheries.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Federal election
bill.

By Mr. Moreau of Spencer, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions in favor of the federal election bill ought not to be adopted. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Salary of assis-
tant register of
probate and in-
solvency for
Suffolk County.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ought to pass.

Levi B. Kelley.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Levi B. Kelley ought to pass.

Joshua C. Rob-
bins.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Joshua C. Robbins ought to pass.

George Gol-
bert.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of George Golbert ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Lyman School
for Boys at
Westborough.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, and in part on the report of the trustees of the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough, a Resolve providing for furnishing the new cottage, and for additional hospital accommoda- tions at the Lyman School for Boys.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve providing for furniture and machinery at the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

State Farm at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the same committee, on the thirty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, in part, a Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater.

State Alms-
house at
Tewksbury.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the same committee, on the thirty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, a Resolve providing for a new insane hospital and certain repairs and improve- ments at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders,

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of ^{Wild fowl.} the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John S. Nicholson and others for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To amend the charter of the Widows' Society in ^{Bills enacted.} Boston ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ; and

To amend section 11 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to expenses of courts to be paid by counties ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To confirm the locations of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company, and of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company in the county of Suffolk ; and

To incorporate the Waushacum Lake Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing for deficiencies in the ^{Resolve passed.} current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to ^{Orders of the day.} legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 72 of the Acts of the year 1886, relative to the sale and gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age, so that no child actually or apparently under sixteen years of age shall smoke, or in any way use any cigar, cigarette or tobacco in any form whatever in any public street, place or resort ; and

Of the committee on Elections, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Herman Bird for a recount of the vote for representative to the General Court in the fourth Middlesex district at the election held Nov. 4, 1890;

Were severally accepted.

Reports:

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to authorizing towns to allow pupils on leaving the public schools to receive, as a gift from the town, a part or all of the books studied during the last year of their attendance in said school; and

On an order relative to authorizing the appointment of a competent person or persons to examine the school systems and methods of instruction in other States of these United States or beyond their limits, or both;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James L. Anthony and others for an act of incorporation as the Old Colony Ship Canal Company for the purpose of constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to providing for the support, either wholly or in part, of dependent families, through the enforced labor of husbands and fathers, who, either as idlers or criminals, leave them to suffer; and

On an order relative to providing for permanent court auditors for the Supreme, Superior and Probate Courts;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 32 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes, relating to expenses for the support of paupers in State lunatic hospitals;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department; and

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the treasurer of the county of Hampden; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. Q. Richmond, president of the Hoosac Valley Street Railway Company, for authority

to issue mortgage bonds for refunding bonds of a prior issue and its floating debt ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to encouraging the raising of choice breeds of domestic animals and poultry, and for the association and accommodation of societies and maintaining reading-rooms, libraries or social meetings, by adding thereto substantially the following words : " or for the cultivation of fish in inland waters and for the protection of the same ; "

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Adrian B. Smith, assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston, for an increase of salary ; and

On the petition of the official stenographers of the superior court for an increase of compensation and an allowance for travelling expenses ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the days on which State and municipal elections are held, legal holidays, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to giving the District Police the same authority over the construction and operation of freight elevators that they now have over passenger elevators, was, after debate, laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Quinn of Worcester.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston Tow-boat Company to increase its capital stock ;

Ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain tracts of land in the town of Winthrop, Massachusetts ;

To authorize the town of Everett to improve its water supply and issue scrip or bonds for the payment and refunding of its water debt ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ;

To enable the town of Arlington to issue scrip or bonds for the payment or refunding of its water indebtedness ;

To authorize the city of Boston to anticipate its authority to borrow money within its debt limit for any current municipal year ;

To incorporate the Fall River Loan and Trust Company ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Worcester ; and

Providing for a clerk for the police court of Chicopee ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Robert Ball Edes ; and

In favor of Henry J. Cross ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the trust estate left by Eliza G. Lamson was read a second time and considered. After debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills :

To amend section 15 of chapter 46 of the Public Statutes relating to the payment of teachers in the public schools ;

To incorporate the Haverhill Safe Deposit and Trust Company in the city of Haverhill ;

To dissolve the Revere Co-operative Bank ;

To dissolve the Canadian Co-operative Bank in the city of Lowell ;

To dissolve the Shawme Savings Bank in the town of Sandwich ;

To incorporate the Wachusett Club of Haverhill ;

To enable the Boston Society of Natural History to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Amending section 6 of chapter 85 of the Public Statutes, relating to the continuance of hearings on bastardy complaints ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank of Reading was read a third time and considered. Mr. Meade of Salem moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Thursday next, March 12, which motion was lost. The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of Abby B. Morton, widow of the late Marcus Morton, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to change the name of the Home for Aged Women in Waltham was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to divide Ward 6 in the city of Gloucester into two voting precincts was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Caledonian Club in the city of Boston was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill to enable the Caledonian Club in the city of Boston to hold additional property," which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Read of Pittsfield, at eight minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 6, 1891.

Met according to adjournment at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Labor of prisoners in penal institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, of C. L. W. Baker and others; by Mr. Atkins of Plainfield, of A. V. Stevens and 38 others; by Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, of Churchill & Allen; by Mr. Waterman of Haver, of Joseph S. Sylvester and others; and by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, of the Greene & Wood Manufacturing Company, — severally, in aid of the petition of John L. Whiting & Sons that the number of persons in penal institutions employed in the making of brushes may be limited.

Severally to the committee on Prisons.

Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bliss of Boston, of George L. Margeson and others; and by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of Mrs. Ralph Warner and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Julia K. Dyer for an appropriation for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Use and sale of arsenic.

Petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of Charles T. West and others, in aid of the petition for an act restricting the use and sale of arsenic.

Prohibiting sale of confectionery containing alcoholic liquors.

Petition, presented by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, of S. F. Barker and others, in aid of the petition that the manufacture and sale of confectionery containing alcoholic liquors may be prohibited.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Congregational Society of Amesbury and Salisbury Mills Village.

A petition, presented by Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, of the Congregational Society of Amesbury and Salisbury Mills Village that its name may be changed to the Main Street Congregational Society, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions

of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Leslie, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, of Boston Lying-in Hospital. the president, vice-president and trustees of the Boston Lying-in Hospital that its name be changed to the Boston Maternity Hospital, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Sohier, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, of Town of Weymouth, — water debt. the water commissioners of Weymouth, that said town may be authorized to increase its water debt, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bicknell, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the city of Boston from borrowing money for current expenses or expending for current expenses money borrowed for other purposes, — City of Boston, — current expenses.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kittredge, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to Horace Draper. withdraw, on the petition of Horace Draper for compensation for the loss of a horse killed at the State camp ground at Framingham, in October, 1886, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

Worcester
Natural History
Society.

Salary of the
assistant clerk
of courts for
Worcester
County.

Election of
United States
Senators by
direct popular
vote.

Town of Ayer.

Jeremiah J.
Scannell.

Fanny Ross.

James H. Sears.

Benjamin F.
Brown.

In addition to an act to amend the charter of the Worcester Natural History Society ; and

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of courts for the county of Worcester ;

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolutions in favor of amending the Constitution of the United States so as to provide for the election of United States Senators by direct popular vote (substituted for the House report of the committee on Federal Relations, no legislation necessary), adopted by the Senate, were read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Resolves :

In favor of the town of Ayer ;

In favor of Jeremiah J. Scannell ; and

In favor of Fanny Ross ;

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A petition of James H. Sears, that he may be made eligible to receive State or military aid, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

The House petition of Benjamin F. Brown, for legislation confirming his acts as justice of the peace, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Poor debtors.

By Mr. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to amending chapter 162 of the Public Statutes and chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to procedure in poor debtor matters, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Poor debtors, —
disposition of
fees in certain
courts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to the disposition of fees in poor debtor matters in certain courts, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to providing that the amount of the recognizance required from a debtor arrested on mesne process or execution may be fixed by the court in its discretion, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Recognizances
in case of arrest
on mesne process.

By Mr. Ensign of Watertown, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to so amending the law regarding the payment of fees in poor debtor matters that in every case entered in court suitable fees in the nature of an entry fee shall be paid by the party instituting the proceeding, and thereafter no fees shall be required in the same case in the same court, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Poor debtors, —
entry fees.

Severally read and accepted.

By Mr. Meade of Salem, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. C. Fitch and others, that the boundary line between the cities of Newton and Waltham be changed.

Boundary line
between
Newton and
Waltham.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the election returns made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give the vote of cities by wards.

Returns of
votes at elec-
tions in cities
by wards.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, from the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to provide that insurance companies may transact more than one class of insurance, and that foreign insurance companies may be admitted to transact business for which insurance companies are not organized under the laws of the Commonwealth.

Insurance
companies.

By Mr. Lomasney of Boston, from the same committee, id. reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to authorizing the formation of insurance companies for the transaction of different kinds of insurance business.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to conferring upon the boards of health in cities and towns authority to enforce sanitary regulations in public buildings and school-houses.

Boards of
health, —
sanitary regu-
lations in public
buildings and
school-houses.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. Thomas

City of Boston,
— salary of the
clerk of the

Dorchester
municipal
court.

Merritt, Jr., clerk of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Newburyport.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John N. Pike for increase of salary of the justice of the police court of the district of Newburyport.

City of Boston,
— constable of
the Dorchester
municipal
court.

By Mr. Keyes of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary.

Town of Pea-
body.

By Mr. Reid of Reading, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. W. Osborn and others of Peabody, that said town be authorized to appropriate money for the purpose of extending a certain street in said town.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

City of Worces-
ter, — funded
loan.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill relating to renewing a funded loan of the city of Worcester.

City of Spring-
field, — water
bonds.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to the sinking fund for the payment of the water bonds of the city of Springfield.

Basis of
representation
at nominating
conventions.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to provide for the basis of representation at nominating conventions.

Taking of
smelt in
Nantucket
County.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order, a Bill relative to the taking of smelt in Nantucket County.

City of
Waltham, —
board of health.

By Mr. Hinckley of Lee, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill concerning the board of health of the city of Waltham.

New York and
New England
Railroad, —
new station at
South Uxbridge.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, from the committee on Railroads, on petitions, a Bill to provide for the abandonment of the Ironstone station, and to establish a new station at South Uxbridge on the New York and New England Railroad.

Signal of rail-
road trains.

By Mr. Dickinson of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relative to signals of the approach of trains to crossings above the level of a highway.

Police officers
in towns.

By Mr. Monk of Brockton, from the committee on Towns, on an order, a Bill relating to the tenure of office of police officers in towns.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, on so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health as relates to water supply, a Bill to repeal the law requiring triennial returns by water boards, commissioners and companies to the State Board of Health.

Returns of water boards, commissioners and companies to the State Board of Health.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for a room for the Bureau of Statistics of Labor for storage purposes ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the State Primary School at Monson, in part, a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Primary School at Monson.

State Primary School at Monson.

By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the following order was taken from the table and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of codifying and arranging the building laws of the city of Boston, and reporting such amendments thereto as the committee shall deem proper.

City of Boston, —building laws.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Mitchell of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the observance of the Lord's Day, so that druggists and apothecaries may be allowed to sell cigars and tobacco on Sunday, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Sale and gift of cigars and tobacco on the Lord's Day.

On motions of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on

Sale of cigars and tobacco on the Lord's Day.

the petition of H. M. Hyams and others, that cigars and tobacco may be allowed to be sold on the Lord's Day, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— borrowing of
money.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to anticipate its authority to borrow money within its debt limit for any current municipal year was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, Mr. Quincy moved to amend in lines 8 and 9 of section 1, by striking out the words "with the items of receipts of the sinking fund upon which such estimate is made." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend an act establishing a board of commissioners of sewerage for the city of Waltham ;

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ;

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry ; and

Defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Matthew O'Herrin ;

In favor of Clara Abbott ; and

In favor of Harry Chapin ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

Orders of the
day.

On the petition of P. J. Moran and others for an amendment of the Employer's Liability Act, increasing the liability to \$10,000 ; and

On the petition of Charles Filisetti for legislation to allow barbers to keep shops open on Sunday ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending the provisions as to notice of injury under the act relating to the liability of employers for personal injuries suffered by employees ;

On an order relative to legislation to provide for the recording of all leases and conditional bills of sale of personal property ;

On an order relative to providing that all applications for the pardon of criminals shall be published in such papers of this State as may be deemed necessary, that the people may be duly informed concerning said applications ; and

On an order relative to legislation requiring the publication in at least one new-paper in each county of the Commonwealth of all applications for the pardon of State Prison convicts ; and

Of the committee on Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joanna Tucker, next of kin of John Lovett, that she be allowed a sum of money which was standing to the credit of John Lovett on the books of the State hospital at Tewksbury at the time of his decease, as an inmate of that institution ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will permit the offering of premiums, purses or stakes, by associations or societies organized for the encouragement of, and improvement in, breeding of domestic animals ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to amending clause 3 of section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes, so as to provide for the proper assessment of live stock on farms which are divided by town lines ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Taunton to issue bonds beyond its debt limit for the purpose of constructing a system of sewers ;

To amend chapter 259 of the Acts of 1889, relating to the court house at Taunton ;

Relating to sittings of the superior court in Barnstable County ;

Relating to disbarred attorneys ;

To amend an act relative to the fisheries in the town of Westport ;

To amend section 1 of chapter 158 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the northern district of Bristol County ; and

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Joshua C. Robbins ;

In favor of Levi B. Kelley ; and

In favor of George Golbert ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court ;

To authorize the Boston Tow-boat Company to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the town of Everett to improve its water supply and issue scrip or bonds for the payment and refunding of its water debt ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ;

To enable the town of Arlington to issue scrip or bonds for the payment or refunding of its water indebtedness ; and

To incorporate the Fall River Loan and Trust Company ; and the

Resolve in favor of Robert Ball Edes ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain tracts of land in the town of Winthrop (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Worcester ; and

Providing for a clerk for the police court at Chicopee ; and the

Resolve in favor of Henry J. Cross ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House order, reported by the joint committee on Rules, relative to a re-division of the Commonwealth into new congressional districts, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Resolutions in favor of the Federal Election Bill were considered, the question being on their rejection, as recommended by the committee on Federal Relations. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Monk of Brockton, and, the roll being called, the resolutions were rejected by a vote of 94 yeas to 68 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Atkins, Edwin A.
Barrett, Harry H.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brooks, Ethan
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buckley, William P.
Butler, William M.
Cannon, William
Carpenter, George N.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clapp, James W.
Clark, Louis M.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Dewey, Henry S.
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fallon, J. Otis
Fallon, Thomas F.
Finney, Elkanah

Messrs. Frazer, Charles A.
Gale, John A.
Giles, Joseph J.
Golding, John
Gould, David E.
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hemenway, Augustus
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howe, Archibald M.
Hurley, John T.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kemp, Parker J.
Knox, James W.
Lakin, James A.
Lewis, James A.
Luby, Patrick B.
Luther, Haile R.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Marston, Dudley J.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McAnally, Frank

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McLoughlin, John T.	Reid, James
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Richardson, Arthur C.
McSolla, Richard F.	Savage, Patrick J.
Mellen, James H.	Shaw, Charles F.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Mooney, William L.	Smith, Elvin L.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Sprague, Charles F.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Stearns, William H.
O'Brien, John J.	Tilden, Charles A.
Parker, James O.	Tilton, Frank B.
Peterson, Benjamin F.	Turner, Charles W.
Pickering, Benjamin P.	Warren, Bently W.
Plummer, John M.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Wier, Fred N.
Quincy, Josiah	Wilder, Aaron O.
Quinn, Patrick J.	Withington, Nathan N.

NAYS.

Messrs. Babson, Fitz J.	Messrs. Kimball, John W.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Knowlton, George K.
Bill, Ledyard	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Bingham, Henry T.	Lane, Howard G.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Longley, Henry C.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Lord, Lucien
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Loud, John C.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	McFarland, Herbert A.
Carter, James H.	McFethries, John
Chester, Dwight	Meade, William E.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Monk, Hiram A.
Clarke, George E.	Newell, Charles B.
Clough, George S.	Olmstead, James M.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Penney, Alonzo
Corbett, Myron L.	Pratt, Amasa
Curtis, Francis C.	Presho, Edward W.
Day, Frederick B.	Prouty, John E. O.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Rice, William H.
Fairbanks, John W.	Richardson, Albert W.
Fears, Isaac P.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Hartshorn, James A.	Salter, John J.
Henderson, Charles W.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Horton, Everett S.	Sohier, William D.
Howe, Edward C.	Stevens, William S.
Johnson, Henry H.	Swallow, George N.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Taft, Henry G.
Keyes, Charles G.	Thomas, Harrison O.
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Messrs. Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Messrs. Wheaton, Henry C.
Tucker, George F.	White, Franklin B.
Turner, Henry E.	Whitney, Edwin
Wardwell, J. Otis	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Waterman, Eben C.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Weston, Thomas	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 94 ; Nays, 68.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, at seventeen minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 9, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Use of gill nets
in the waters of
Mattapoissett.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of Peleg McFarlin and others, of Girard C. Tobey and others, of Judah Hathaway and others, and of A. S. Gurney and others, — severally, against the petition of Lilburne Hiller to allow the setting of gill nets in the waters of Mattapoissett.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Labor of prison-
ers in penal
institutions.

Petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, of Thomas A. Cunningham and others, in aid of the petition of John L. Whiting & Sons, that the number of persons in penal institutions employed in the making of brushes may be limited. To the committee on Prisons.

Taxation of
personal
property.

Petition, presented by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of M. R. Hartshorn and others, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Division of the
town of
Tisbury.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of Valentine Lewis and others, against the division of the town of Tisbury. To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Expert
testimony.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, of William H. Gannon, for the enactment of a law providing that in cases in which parties desire expert testimony the court shall decide whether such testimony is necessary, and providing for the appointment of impartial experts, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule.

A petition, presented by the same gentleman, of William H. Gannon, for the enactment of a law allowing a plaintiff to have a special jury of catholic laymen in a case in which the plaintiff is a catholic layman and the defendant is an ecclesiastic of the same church, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule.

Special juries of catholic laymen in certain cases.

Severally referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Gale of Haverhill :—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending section 13 of chapter 413 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, so that at least one-third of the reserve required to be held by such corporations shall consist exclusively of lawful money of the United States, the residue of the reserve to consist of balances payable on demand due from national banks in this Commonwealth or in the city of New York ; and so that such corporations doing business in the city of Boston shall be required to have a reserve equal to at least twenty per cent. of the aggregate amount of its deposits subject to withdrawal on demand or within ten days, instead of fifteen per cent. as now provided, — at least one half of such reserve to consist of lawful money of the United States, —

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing corporations subject to the provisions of Public Statutes, chapter 106, relating to powers, duties and liabilities of corporations and acts amendatory thereof, to extend their business to other businesses of a similar nature upon consent of less than the whole number of stockholders ; and

Corporations, — extension of business.

L. C. Pennell,—
overcrowding
of insane
hospitals.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. C. Pennell, for legislation to prevent the overcrowding of insane hospitals ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Town of
Manchester,—
water supply.

To supply the town of Manchester with water (reported on petitions) ;

Sewer assess-
ments.

Relating to the apportionment of sewer assessments in cities (reported on a petition and an order) ; and

New England
Society for the
Suppression of
Vice.

To change the name of the New England Society for the Suppression of Vice (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Reports of the
State Board of
Arbitration and
Conciliation.

In relation to the printing and distribution of the reports of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (reported on an order) ; and

Massachusetts
School Fund.

Relating to the distribution of the school fund (reported on the report of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund and the Tax Commissioner) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House Order had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule :—

Gypsy Moth
Commission,—
recovery of
damages for
injuries to
personal
property.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 95 of the Acts of the year 1890, providing against depredations of the gypsy moth, so that damages may be recovered for injuries to personal property committed under the Gypsy Moth Commission.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petitions of the selectmen of Hawley, of Frank Burr and others, and of D. H. Damon and others, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants of towns for their division.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petitions of P. Wadsworth and others, of Edward B. Kellogg and others, of A. H. Bickford and others, and of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union, — severally, for a law to prevent the manufacture and sale of confectionery containing alcoholic liquors.

Manufacture
and sale of
confectionery
containing
alcoholic
liquors.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Savage, and sent up for concurrence.

Danvers Lunatic
Hospital.

By Mr. Prescho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston, for legislation to require all money bills of the city of Boston to originate in the common council.

City of Boston,
— money bills to
originate in the
common
council.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston, that said council may be given concurrent authority with the board of aldermen in all matters.

City of Boston,
— common
council to have
concurrent
authority with
the aldermen in
all matters.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gammons of Rochester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Samuel C. Hunt and others, for the regulation of fishing in the waters of Forest River, Salem Harbor, and the adjacent towns. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Babson of Gloucester, and sent up for concurrence.

Forest River,
Salem Har-
bor, — fisheries.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to further amend section 26 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1885, concerning the support of State poor by cities and towns, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Support of
State poor by
cities and towns

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Weymouth
Agricultural
and Industrial
Society.

City of
Pittsfield.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to incorporate the city of Pittsfield.

Hampden
County,— trout.

By Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order and a petition, a Bill to include the month of August in the open season for trout fishing in Hampden County.

Great Head
Yacht Club.

By Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Great Head Yacht Club.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Reformatory Prison for Women ought not to pass, for the reason that the amount of money provided for by this resolve has already been provided for in chapter 36 of the Acts of the present year. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Bill enacted and Resolves passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

Providing for the leasing of house numbered thirteen Beacon street for the use of various commissions and boards (which originated in the House) ; and

In favor of Abby B. Morton, widow of the late Marcus Morton (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Enforcement
of sanitary
regulations in
public buildings
and school-
houses
by boards of
health.

On motions of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, the report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to conferring upon the boards of health in cities and towns authority to enforce sanitary regulations in public buildings and school-houses, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, Resolutions in favor of amending the Constitution of the United States so as to provide for the election of United States Senators by direct popular vote, were discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the adoption of the resolutions, in concurrence, Mr. Sohier raised the point of order that the resolutions were improperly before the House, being in violation of House Rule 48, the same measure having been once rejected by the House. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the resolutions were laid aside and notice was sent to the Senate.

Election of United States Senators by direct popular vote.

Point of order.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order requiring the election returns made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give the vote of cities by wards ;

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court :

On an order relative to authorizing the formation of insurance companies for the transaction of different kinds of insurance business ; and

On an order relative to legislation to provide that insurance companies may transact more than one class of insurance, and that foreign insurance companies may be admitted to transact business for which insurance companies are now organized under the laws of the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of N. Thomas Merritt, Jr., clerk of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary ;

On the petition of John N. Pike, for an increase of salary of the justice of the police court of the district of Newburyport ; and

On the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Horace Draper for com-

pensation for the loss of a horse killed at the State camp ground at Framingham, in October, 1886, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. C. Fitch and others, that the boundary line between the cities of Newton and Waltham be changed, was, on motion of Mr. Hall of Waltham, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, March 16.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. W. Osborn and others of Peabody, that said town be authorized to appropriate money for the purpose of extending a certain street in said town, was, on motion of Mr. Appleton of Peabody, recommitted to the committee on Towns.

Bills :

Relating to the tenure of office of police officers in towns ;

To provide for the abandonment of the Ironstone station, and to establish a new station at South Uxbridge on the New York and New England Railroad ;

Relative to the taking of smelt in Nantucket County ;

Relative to signals of the approach of trains to crossings above the level of a highway ;

To repeal the law requiring triennial returns by water boards, commissioners and companies to the State Board of Health ;

Concerning the board of health of the city of Waltham ;

To provide for the basis of representation at nominating conventions ;

Relating to renewing a funded loan of the city of Worcester ;

Relating to the sinking fund for the payment of the water bonds of the city of Springfield ; and

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of courts for the county of Worcester ; and the

Resolve providing for a room for the Bureau of Statistics of Labor for storage purposes ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in addition to an Act to amend the charter of the Worcester Natural History Society was read a second time and considered. Mr. White of Worcester moved to

amend in section 2, line 7, by striking out the word "cabinet," and inserting in place thereof the word "museum." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Taunton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To amend chapter 259 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to improving and rebuilding the court-house at Taunton (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relating to sittings of the Superior Court in Barnstable County ;

Relating to disbarred attorneys ; and

• To amend section 1 of chapter 158 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the northern district of Bristol County ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Joshua C. Robbins ;

In favor of Levi B. Kelley ; and

In favor of George Golbert ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, at twenty-four minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 10, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of the State Gas Inspector.

On motion of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, —

Report of the
State Gas
Inspector.

Voted, That the annual report of the State Gas Inspector be printed as a House document.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Judd of South Hadley, of Henry S. Snyder and others; and by Mr. Kemp of Pepperell, of the selectmen and five other town officers of Dunstable, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Partridge, quail
and woodcock.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of the Methuen Gun Club, against legislation establishing the period from October 1 to January 1 as the open season for partridge, quail and woodcock. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Franklin
County, —
district court.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of J. A. Newhall and others; and by Mr. Ripley of Montague, of H. S. Sawyer and others, — severally, against the establishment of a district court in Franklin County.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Subterranean
railways in the
counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

Petition, presented by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of Robert Bleakie and others; and by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, of Charles A. Greene and others, — severally, in aid

of the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Weston of Hingham, of a committee of the town of Hingham, for an act enabling the town to establish an electric plant for street lighting, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Weston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Manufactures, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Hingham, — electric plant.

A petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of the selectmen of Wakefield, for authority to manufacture gas and electricity, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Carter, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Manufactures and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Wakefield, — gas and electricity.

A petition, presented by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of the inhabitants of Methuen, for authority to obtain a water supply, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th and 12th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Parker, the 9th and 12th joint rules were suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference with instructions.

Town of Methuen, — water supply.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to preventing the adulteration of malt liquor; and the order relative to preventing the adulteration of malt liquors by using, in the brewing thereof, substitutes for malt and hops which are injurious to health; also to

Adulteration of malt liquors.

providing for the inspection of malt liquors, and recommending that the subject-matters thereof be severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law ; and

Inspectors of
liquors.

Of the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to so amending section 29 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors, as to provide for the appointment of one or more inspectors of liquors in cities or towns of this Commonwealth where licenses are granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

Co-operative
banking.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on that portion of so much of the messages of the Governor concerning the recommendations and suggestions of the heads of departments, as relates to the trust deposits in the custody of the treasurer, together with the communication of the treasurer relative to the character, care and management of such deposits, which refers to the violations of chapter 310 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the business of co-operative banking, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ladd of Boston.

Bills :

Fines for
imperfect
weaving.

To prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving (Mr. Shaw of New Bedford, of the House, dissenting) (reported on orders) ; and

Lobsters.

To amend an Act for the better protection of lobsters (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Everett
Congregational
Society.

A Bill to confirm the acts and proceedings of the Everett Congregational Society (being a new draft of the House Bill to confirm the acts and records of the Everett Congregational Society), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Francis M.
Vaughan.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) authorizing the payment, from the treasury of the county of Plymouth, of a

sum of money to the widow of Francis M. Vaughan was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bullard of Sutton, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the preservation of ornamental and shade trees on the highways, so as to extend the time for designating such trees and drawing and renewing the spikes therein.

Preservation of ornamental and shade trees on the highways.

By Mr. Monk of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that hereafter only one place for each one thousand of the population shall be licensed to sell intoxicating liquor in the city of Boston.

City of Boston, — intoxicating liquors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places licensed in cities and towns for the sale of intoxicating liquor, so that the same shall not exceed one for every 500 of the population. (Mr. Donovan of the Senate, and Messrs. Carter of Lawrence and Hurley of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.)

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the same committee, ^{Id.} inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns, so that cities and towns shall have the right to fix the number of licenses which may be granted therein.

By Mr. Hunting of East Bridgewater, from the same ^{Id.} committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayor of Lawrence and the mayor and city solicitor of Holyoke, for the repeal of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

By Mr. Hartshorn of Norwood, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Stedman, that the salary of the associate medical examiner for Suffolk County may be increased.

Salary of the associate medical examiner for Suffolk County.

By Mr. Pickering of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

Superintendent of Prisons.

amending chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the labor of prisoners, so as to fix some definite term of office for the Superintendent of Prisons.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bounties for
agricultural and
horticultural
societies.

By Mr. Hickox of Williamstown, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 114 of the Public Statutes, relative to the filing of certificates by societies claiming bounties under said act.

Sale of
prepared wood,
slabs and
edgings.

By Mr. Meade of Salem, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill to enable cities to make ordinances to govern the sale of prepared wood, slabs and edgings when sold by the load.

Setting of nets
in Wellfleet
Bay.

By Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to prevent the taking of blue-fish with nets or seines in a portion of the waters of Wellfleet Bay in the town of Wellfleet.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
innholders and
common
victualers.

By Mr. Day of Marblehead, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to liquor legislation, a Bill to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to others than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging. (Mr. Donovan of the Senate, and Messrs. Carter of Lawrence, Hurley of Fall River and Gale of Haverhill, of the House, dissenting.)

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Somerville.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Somerville.

Owners and
managers of
sleeping-cars as
common
carriers.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties. (Messrs. Raymond and Kimball, of the Senate, dissenting.)

New York and
Massachusetts
Railway
Company.

By Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to extend the time for the extension and construction of the New York and Massachusetts Railway Company. (Mr. Coveney, of the Senate, present and dissenting.)

Town of
Randolph.

By Mr. Penney of Lynn, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Randolph to pay bounties to James Halpin and Michael Lynch.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve granting an allowance to the 35th Massachusetts Regiment Association ought to pass.

Thirty-fifth
Massachusetts
Regiment
Association.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of William Emerson ought to pass.

William
Emerson.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Patrick Buckley ought to pass.

Patrick
Buckley.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Salary of the
clerk of the
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the appointment of probation officers in cities mandatory, and of prohibiting the appointment of police officials as probation officers, was taken from the table. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the same gentleman moved that it be referred to the committee on Prisons, which motion was lost. On further motion of Mr. Howe the report was laid on the table.

Probation
officers.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved that the Bill relative to the taking of smelt in Nantucket County be discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. After debate the motion was lost.

Taking of
smelt in
Nantucket
County.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Salem Building Association to issue preferred stock ;

Bills enacted.

To amend section 21 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes relating to the State Almshouse and State paupers ; and

To incorporate the Pentucket Savings Bank of Haverhill;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Worcester;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk;

Providing for a clerk for the police court of Chicopee; and

Ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain tracts of land in the town of Winthrop;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve
passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Henry J. Cross (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing corporations subject to the provisions of Public Statutes, chapter 106, relating to powers, duties and liabilities of corporations, and acts amendatory thereof, to extend their business to other businesses of a similar nature upon consent of less than the whole number of stockholders; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. C. Pennell for legislation to prevent the overcrowding of insane hospitals;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To include the month of August in the open season for trout fishing in Hampden County;

To further amend section 26 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1885, concerning the support of State poor by cities and towns;

To amend an Act to incorporate the city of Pittsfield;

To change the name of the Great Head Yacht Club;

Relating to the apportionment of sewer assessments in cities;

To supply the town of Manchester with water; and

To change the name of the New England Society for the Suppression of Vice; and the

Resolve in favor of the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Relating to the tenure of office of police officers in towns;

To provide for the abandonment of the Ironstone station, and to establish a new station at South Uxbridge on the New York and New England Railroad;

Relative to the taking of smelt in Nantucket County;

Relative to signals of the approach of trains to crossings above the level of a highway;

To repeal the law requiring triennial returns by water boards, commissioners and companies to the State Board of Health;

Concerning the board of health of the city of Waltham;

To provide for the basis of representation at nominating conventions;

Relative to renewing a funded loan of the city of Worcester; and

Relating to the sinking fund for the payment of the water bonds of the city of Springfield;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of courts for the county of Worcester; and the

Resolve providing for a room for the Bureau of Statistics of Labor for storage purposes;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the Reformatory Prison for Women was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Bill in addition to an act to amend the charter of the Worcester Natural History Society was read a third time and considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by adding at the end of section 3 the following: "*Provided*, that a majority of the members of said

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(Which severally originated in the House) ;

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To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk ;

Providing for a clerk for the police court of Chicopee ; and

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Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

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Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

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To provide for the basis of representation at nominating conventions;

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association present and voting thereon at a meeting duly called for the purpose shall vote to accept its provisions." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, and in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, at five minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 11, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Petition, presented by Mr. Lord of Athol, of J. W. Hager and others, in aid of the order for the establishment of a State Dairy Commission. To the committee on Agriculture. State Dairy Commission.

Petition, presented by Mr. Newell of Rowe, of the selectmen of Northfield, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Stevens of Boston, of H. G. Nutter and others, in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spaulding, for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex. To the committee on Street Railways. Subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lord of Athol, of J. W. Hager and others, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation. To the committee on Taxation. Taxation of personal property.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Westminster, that women qualified to vote for school committee be given the right to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of the selectmen of Wakefield, for legislation to ratify the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town, came Town of Wakefield.

from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Carter, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford : —

Committee on
Federal
Relations, —
Columbian Fair.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations be authorized to travel to Chicago, to obtain full information respecting the part to be taken by the Commonwealth in the Columbian Fair, as a basis for recommending an appropriation.

Incorporation
of villages.

A report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. H. Harris and others for a general law authorizing the incorporation of villages, and sundry petitions relating to the subject, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

City of Fall
River, — water
supply.

Authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply ;

Gloucester
Water Supply
Company.

To amend the charter of the Gloucester Water Supply Company ;

City of
Marlborough, —
assessors.

To extend the time for the election of assessors and an assistant assessor of the city of Marlborough ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Taxation of
vessels engaged
in the foreign
carrying trade.

Extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade (reported on an order and petitions) ;
and

Milford Mutual
Relief
Association.

To change the name of the Milford Mutual Relief Association (reported on petitions) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

County of
Suffolk, — fines
and fees of
clerks of courts
and other
officers.

A Bill relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by the clerks of the courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petitions of Lawrence J. Kelley and others, and of H. R. Legate and others, — severally, that eight hours shall constitute a day's work for public employees. Hours of labor of public employees.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Petition of C. C. Coffin and others for the regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and sale of paper, textile fabrics and other articles in the manufacture of which arsenical matter is used. To the committee on Public Health. Manufacture and sale of articles containing arsenic.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Butler of New Bedford. Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures.

By Mr. Goddard of Orange, from the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the 12th annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence. State Primary and Reform Schools.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the 59th annual report of the Trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Clark, and sent up for concurrence. Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital for the year 1890. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman. Appropriation bill.

Town of
Westport, —
fisheries.

By Mr. Ellis of Boston, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John W. Gifford, for the repeal of chapter 193 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the protection of fisheries in the town of Westport.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of chapter 193 of the Acts of 1887 as relates to the waters outside of Westport Harbor.

City of Boston,
— South Boston
flats.

By Mr. Kirby of Westport, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the city of Boston to fill in flats in the proposed reserved channel in lands of the Commonwealth in South Boston, from the end thereof to the proposed L Street bridge, or to make contracts with owners of rights in said reserved channel to so fill in.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
liquor license
fees.

By Mr. Day of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation restricting innholders' license fees to \$800; restricting the fees for first-class licenses to \$500; also changing the law limiting the number of licenses so that one license may be granted for each 500 inhabitants. (Mr. Hurley of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Boston,
— liquor
licenses.

By Mr. Monk of Brockton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling officials vested with the power of granting liquor licenses in Boston, to make a more equitable distribution of said licenses over the whole area of the city, and to prevent them from discriminating against any particular locality or district.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
liquor license
fees.

By Mr. Carter of Lawrence, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the fees for licenses of the fourth class to sell intoxicating liquor.

City of Boston,
— brewers and
wholesale liquor
dealers.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that brewers and wholesale dealers in intoxicating liquors shall not be included within the provisions of section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places to be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston.

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
of, near railroad
grade crossings.

By Mr. Hurley of Fall River, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no person in a town of less than 5,000 inhabitants

shall be granted a license to sell intoxicating liquors within one half mile of any steam railroad grade crossing.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the same committee, Intoxicating liquors, — objections to licenses. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors, so that objection may be made by any person owning or controlling real estate within one hundred feet of the premises for which a license is requested.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, Reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the sums allowed the reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court, for salary, clerk hire and other incidental expenses of his office.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, Sale at public auction of the capital stock of railroad corporations. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending sections 58 and 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, relating to subscriptions for sales by public auction of the capital stock of railroad corporations, so as to provide that all railroads, when granted authority to increase their capital stock, shall sell such stock at public auction. (Mr. Coveney of the Senate, and Messrs. Bullock of Fall River, McEnaney of Boston and McDonald of Pittsfield, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, Bristol County, — Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts. on a petition, a Bill changing the time of the law term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Bristol, and the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Bristol.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, Salary of the justice of the Lynn police court. on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lynn.

By Mr. Bullock of Fall River, from the committee on Railroads, Fall River Electric Freight Railway Company. on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Fall River Electric Freight Railway Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the annual report of the Attorney-General was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Report of the Attorney-General.

Freight
elevators.

On motion of Mr. Quinn of Worcester, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to giving the district police the same authority over the construction and operation of freight elevators that they now have over passenger elevators, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Sale of cigars
and tobacco on
the Lord's Day.

On motions of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. M. Hyams and others, that cigars and tobacco may be allowed to be sold on the Lord's Day, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 17, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to the support of paupers by cities and towns ;

For the consolidation of the Springfield Young Men's Christian Association, and Armory Hill Young Men's Christian Association of Springfield, Massachusetts ;

To change the name of the Merrimack Valley Horse Railroad Company ;

To amend an act relating to the election of members of the common council from Wards 22 and 25 in the city of Boston ;

To provide clerical assistance for the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court ; and

Relating to the fees of clerks of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To establish the salary of the Assistant Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Suffolk (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

On motions of Mr. Bullock of Fall River, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places

licensed in cities and towns for the sale of intoxicating liquor, so that the same shall not exceed one for every 500 of the population, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 19, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legis-
late, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the preservation of ornamental and shade trees in the highways, so as to extend the time for designating such trees and drawing and renewing the spikes therein ; Orders of the day.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that hereafter only one place for each one thousand of the population shall be licensed to sell intoxicating liquor in the city of Boston ; and

On an order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns, so that cities and towns shall have the right to fix the number of licenses which may be granted therein ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayor of Lawrence and the mayor and city solicitor of Holyoke, for the repeal of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the labor of prisoners, so as to fix some definite term of office for the Superintendent of Prisons ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Stedman, that the salary of the associate medical examiner for Suffolk County may be increased ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To prevent the taking of blue-fish with nets or seines in a portion of the waters of Wellfleet Bay in the town of Wellfleet ;

To enable cities to make ordinances to govern the sale of prepared wood, slabs and edgings, when sold by the load ;

To amend section 2 of chapter 114 of the Public Statutes, relative to the filing of certificates by societies claiming bounties under said act ;

To authorize the town of Randolph to pay bounties to James Halpin and Michael Lynch ;

To extend the time for the extension and construction of the New York and Massachusetts Railway Company ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Somerville ;

To declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties ; and

To prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Patrick Buckley ; and

In favor of William Emerson ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to others than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging, was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 17, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The Resolve granting an allowance to the 35th Massachusetts Regiment Association was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, laid on the table.

The Bill to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters was read a second time and considered. Mr. Babson of Gloucester moved to amend, in line 5, by inserting after the word "and" the words "by inserting after the word 'body,' in line 2, the words 'or has such

tail or tails in possession''; also in line 12 by inserting after the word "body," the words "or has such tail or tails in possession." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the fisheries in the town of Westport was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To include the month of August in the open season for trout fishing in Hampden County ;

To further amend section 26 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1885, concerning the support of State poor by cities and towns ;

To amend an act to incorporate the city of Pittsfield ; and

To change the name of the Great Head Yacht Club ; and the

Resolve in favor of the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To supply the town of Manchester with water ; and

To change the name of the New England Society for the Suppression of Vice ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the apportionment of sewer assessments in cities was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 93 to 6.

On motion of Mr. Reid of Reading, at three o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 12, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been designated to preside.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

State Dairy
Commission.

Petition, presented by Mr. Child of Swanzey, of Daniel P. Shove and others, for the appointment of a commission to enforce laws for the protection of dairy interests. To the committee on Agriculture.

John M. Berry,
— equal repre-
sentation in the
General Court.

Petition, presented by Mr. Brophy of Framingham, of the First Nationalist Club of Boston, in aid of the petition of John M. Berry, for a system of equal representation in the election of senators and representatives.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Clapp of Deerfield, of the selectmen of Sunderland and others; by Mr. Langdon of Monterey, of the selectmen and assessors of Tyringham; by Mr. Whitney of North Attleborough, of the selectmen of Seekonk; and by Mr. Wetherell of Southampton, of the selectmen of Southampton, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

John M. Berry,
— election of
city and town
officers.

Petition, presented by Mr. Brophy of Framingham, of the First Nationalist Club of Boston, in aid of the petition of John M. Berry, for equal representation in the election of city and town officers. To the committee on Election Laws.

Use of nets in
the waters of
Mattapoisett.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of William H. Nelson and others, against the legislation asked for by the petition of Lilburne Hiller and others, relating to the use of nets in the waters of Mattapoisett. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition, presented by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, of F. L. Goldsmith and others, in aid of the petition of John L. Whiting & Sons, that the number of persons in penal institutions employed in the making of brushes may be limited. To the committee on Prisons.

Labor of prisoners in penal institutions.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, of Asa P. Potter and 57 others; of Robert G. Fitch and 40 others; of Henry C. Weston and 50 others; of Elmer P. Howe and 64 others of Boston; of J. F. Lawton and 11 others of Egremont; of Lamson Allen and 24 others of Southbridge; of E. S. Wilkinson and 25 others of North Adams; of Archibald Dakin and 24 others of Brockton; and of George C. Brigham and 13 others of Westborough, — severally, for legislation to regulate the use and sale of arsenic.

Use and sale of arsenic.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of the city of Newburyport, for an act authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse to said city a part of the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Richardson, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Newburyport, — Newburyport bridge.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations be authorized to travel to Chicago to obtain full information respecting the part to be taken by the Commonwealth in the Columbian Fair, as a basis for recommending an appropriation.

Committee on Federal Relations, — Columbian Fair.

Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton moved to amend by inserting after the word "authorized," the words "to elect two of their number." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill. The amendment was rejected. On the question on the adoption of the order, in concurrence, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Bill of Paxton, and the roll

being called, the order was rejected by a vote of 120 yeas to 84 nays, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.	Messrs.
Anderson, Stephen	Haggerty, Roger
Atkins, Edwin A.	Handley, Aaron C.
Austin, J. Lewis	Hartshorn, James A.
Babson, Fitz J.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Barrett, Harry H.	Hobson, Charles H.
Barrett, Richard F.	Howard, S. Edward
Bingham, Henry T.	Howard, Timothy
Bliss, Frederic W.	Howe, Edward C.
Boodey, Charles H.	Hurley, John T.
Breen, Daniel F.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Brophy, James L.	Johnson, Henry H.
Buchholz, Herman	Keliher, Thomas J.
Buckley, William P.	Kelly, Charles A.
Bullard, Henry B.	Kenrick, John, Jr.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Kimball, John W.
Burke, James F.	Kirby, Albert C.
Butler, William M.	Knowlton, George K.
Cannon, Patrick	Lakin, James A.
Cannon, William	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Carpenter, George N.	Lewis, James A.
Carroll, Michael	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Carter, Richard A.	Luby, Patrick B.
Chance, Charles J.	Luther, Haile R.
Chester, Dwight	Lynch, John B.
Child, Daniel R.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Marston, Dudley J.
Coffey, John H.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	McAnally, Frank
Curtis, Samuel N.	McCarthy, Daniel
Danforth, John M.	McDonald, Peter J.
Dewey, Henry S.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Dickinson, Henry S.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Dyar, Perlle A.	McKenna, George B.
Fairbanks, John W.	McLean, Isaac
Fallon, J. Otis	McLoughlin, John T.
Fallon, Thomas F.	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Gammons, Benjamin	Mellen, James H.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Giles, Joseph J.	Monk, Hiram A.
Goddard, Edward A.	Mooney, William L.
Golding, John	Moore, Charles
Gould, David E.	Moreau, Louis E. P.

Messrs. Moriarty, Eugene M.
Mott, Edward
Murray, Michael J.
Nutting, Arthur F.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John
O'Brien, John J.
O'Neil, Eugene J.
Penney, Alonzo
Perkins, George W.
Pickering, Benjamin P.
Plummer, John M.
Prouty, John E. O.
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rady, Andrew J.
Rafferty, Patrick H.
Richardson, Albert W.

Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac
Savage, Patrick J.
Shaw, Ebenezer
Smith, Charles S.
Smith, Elvin L.
Sohier, William D.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Sprague, Charles F.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Thomas, Harrison O.
Thompson, Edwin D.
Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Turner, Charles W.
Turner, Henry E.
Wier, Fred N.
Wilder, Aaron O.
Withington, Nathan N.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bill, Ledyard
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bright, Elmer H.
Britton, Henry W.
Brooks, Ethan
Brown, George H.
Carter, James H.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clarke, George E.
Clough, George S.
Corbett, Myron L.
Curtis, Francis C.
Day, Frederick B.
Ellis, Edward C.
Emery, S. Hopkins
Ensign, Charles S.
Fales, Nathan H.
Finney, Elkanah
Flood, Nathan B.
Gale, John A.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. Hinckley, Charles E.
Hinds, John F.
Horton, Everett S.
Howe, Archibald M.
Howe, S. Augustus
Hunting, Amos
Judd, Myron H.
Kemp, Parker J.
Kilmer, Frederick M.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Knox, James W.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lawrence, William B.
Longley, Henry C.
Lord, Lucien
Loud, John C.
McFarland, Herbert A.
McFethries, John
Meade, William E.
Newell, Charles B.
Olmstead, James M.
Parker, James O.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Peterson, Benjamin F.
Pomeroy, John P.
Pratt, Amasa
Presho, Edward W.
Quincy, Josiah
Read, Franklin F.

Messrs. Reid, James	Messrs. Tuttle, William H. H.
Rice, William H.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Warren, Bentley W.
Salter, John J.	Weston, Thomas
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Shaw, Charles F.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Stearns, William H.	White, Franklin B.
Stevens, William S.	Whitney, Edwin
Swallow, George N.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Thurston, Lysander	Wilson, William Power
Tilton, Frank B.	Woodsum, B. Herbert.
Tucker, George F.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 120 ; Nays, 84.

List of pardons
for 1890.

A report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted during the year 1890, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

Salaries of the
Deputy Con-
trollers of
County Ac-
counts.

A report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the Deputy Controllers of County Accounts, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

City of Lynn,—
board of
aldermen.

To increase the number of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Lynn (reported on a petition) ; and

Licensing of
conductors,
drivers and
despatchers of
street railway
cars.

To provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in the city of Salem (being a new draft of a House Bill to provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in cities) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Assistant
district attorney
for the south-
eastern district.

The House Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the south-eastern district came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out, in section 1, line 6, the words "one thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words "eight hundred." Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolves:

Relative to printing an edition of the atlas maps of Massachusetts as prepared and engraved by the Geological Survey (being a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate); and

Geological survey,—atlas maps of Massachusetts.

In favor of Joseph A. Parker (reported on a petition);

Joseph A. Parker.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide for the dissolution of parishes after the transfer of all the property to an incorporated church.

Dissolution of parishes.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law in relation to the trial of cases in court so that in cases of hardship to the claimants or plaintiffs by reason of poverty or distress, or otherwise, such cases upon proper affidavit may be advanced for speedy trial.

Advancement of cases on the trial list in courts in certain cases.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 46 of chapter 212 of the Public Statutes, relating to magistrates admitting to bail, by inserting the words "commissioner of insolvency" after the words "master in chancery."

Bail commissioners,—commissioners of insolvency.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 193 of the Acts of 1887, relating to fisheries in the town of Westport, so as to permit fishing with seines or nets from the first day of November until the first day of May.

Town of Westport,—fisheries.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for a convention of delegates of the people for the purpose of revising the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

Constitutional convention.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to author-

Trustees of funds held in trust by towns.

izing towns to elect a board of trustees, to have the custody and management, except in cases where it is by law otherwise provided, of funds and property held by towns in trust under the laws of the Commonwealth.

Distribution of
Acts and
Resolves.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents, so as to provide for an enlarged distribution of the acts and resolves of the General Court.

Making up of
freight trains on
grade crossings.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the making up of trains on grade crossings.

Railroads, —
transportation
of milk.

By Mr. McEnaney of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. W. Houghton and others, to fix the railroad freight on milk within fifty miles of Boston at three cents per can in winter and four cents in summer.

City of Chelsea,
— grade
crossings.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Albert D. Bosson, mayor of the city of Chelsea, for the abolition of the grade crossings in that city.

William B.
Mack, —
elevated
railroad in
Boston.

By Mr. White of Worcester, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, with the consent of the petitioners, on the petition of William B. Mack and others, for an act of incorporation with authority to use the Mack or any other system of elevated railroads in and around Boston.

Reynolds T.
White, —
elevated
railroad in
Boston.

By Mr. Plummer of Chelsea, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, with the consent of the petitioners, on the petition of Reynolds T. White, for authority to build, equip, maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston.

Frank A.
Bartholomew,
— Boston
Elevated
Railway.

By Mr. Lynch of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, with the consent of the petitioners, on the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad, to be called the Boston Elevated Railway.

Locations for
street railways.

By Mr. Wright of Duxbury, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the assent in writing of the owners of three-fourths of the assessed value of the land situated within one hundred

feet of a highway over which any street railway requests a location before any location is granted.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 70 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor. Overseers of the poor.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for repairing Gay Head school-house ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, Resolve providing for repairs to the school-house in the town of Gay Head. Town of Gay Head, — school-house.

By Mr. Mooney of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, on the estimates of the several counties for taxes, with the accounts of the county treasurers, a Resolve granting county taxes. County taxes.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on orders and petitions, a Bill relating to the watering of streets in cities. Cities, — watering of streets.

By Mr. Meade of Salem, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Newburyport to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its general indebtedness. City of Newburyport.

By Mr. Keliber of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on petitions, a Bill to incorporate the Cape Poge Ferry Company. Cape Poge Ferry Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against savings banks ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Refunding of certain taxes assessed against savings banks.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill to provide for the examination of school teachers by State authority. Examination of school teachers by State authority.

By Mr. Tibbetts of Lynn, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Resolve for the protection of the town of West Springfield against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town. Town of West Springfield, — encroachments of the Connecticut River.

By Mr. Turner of Middleborough, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill concerning the State Military and Naval Historian. State Military and Naval Historian.

City of Boston,
— commission to promote rapid transit.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to establish a commission to promote rapid transit for the city of Boston and its suburbs.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Controller of
County
Accounts.

On motions of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the fourth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts was taken from the table, and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Sale of cigars
and tobacco on
the Lord's Day
by druggists and
apothecaries.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the observance of the Lord's Day, so that druggists and apothecaries may be allowed to sell cigars and tobacco on Sunday, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Licensing of
persons in
charge of
stationary or
portable steam
engines.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting a law which shall require all persons having charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers to be licensed by some proper board or authority, was taken from the table and was adopted. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, March 23, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
objections to
licenses.

On motions of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors, so that objection may be made by any person owning or controlling real estate within one hundred feet of the premises for which a license is requested, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 24, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Buchholz of Springfield, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation restricting inn-holders' license fees to \$800; also restricting the fees for first-class licenses to \$500; and also to changing the law limiting the number of licenses so that one license may be granted for each 500 inhabitants, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 19, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
liquor licenses.

On motions of Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending sections 58 and 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, relating to subscriptions for sales by public auction of the capital stock of railroad corporations, so as to provide that all railroads, when granted authority to increase their capital stock, shall sell such stock at public auction, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 18, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Railroad
corporations, —
sale of capital
stock of
railroads at
public auction.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, the Bill to extend the time for the election of assessors and an assistant assessor of the city of Marlborough was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of
Marlborough, —
assessors.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 18, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Owners and
managers of
sleeping-cars as
common
carriers.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Bristol; and

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the Winthrop Loan and Trust Company ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ; and
 To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of courts
 for the county of Worcester (which originated in the
 Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
 to the Senate.

Resolves
 passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Gideon M. Morley ;

In favor of Sarah E. Geyer ;

In favor of Joseph Fernald ; and

In favor of Hiram N. Denham ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide a room for the Bureau of Statistics of
 Labor for storage purposes (which originated in the
 Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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 day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to
 withdraw, on the petition of John W. Gifford for the
 repeal of chapter 193 of the Acts of the year 1887, relat-
 ing to the protection of fisheries in the town of Westport ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an
 order relative to repealing so much of chapter 193 of the
 Acts of 1887 as relates to the waters outside of Westport
 harbor ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inex-
 pedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing
 the city of Boston to fill in flats in the proposed reserved
 channel in lands of the Commonwealth in South Boston,
 from the end thereof to the proposed L Street bridge, or
 to make contracts with owners of rights in said reserved
 channel to so fill in ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to
 legislate :

On an order relative to providing that no person in a
 town of less than 5,000 inhabitants shall be granted a
 license to sell intoxicating liquors within one-half mile of
 any steam railroad grade crossing ;

On an order relative to compelling officials vested with
 the power of granting liquor licenses in Boston to make

a more equitable distribution of said licenses over the whole area of the city, and to prevent them from discriminating against any particular locality or district ;

On an order relative to increasing the fees for licenses of the fourth class to sell intoxicating liquor ; and

On an order relative to providing that brewers and wholesale dealers in intoxicating liquors shall not be included within the provisions of section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places to be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the sums allowed the reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court for salary, clerk hire and other incidental expenses of his office ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. H. Harris and others for a general law authorizing the incorporation of villages, and sundry petitions relating to the subject, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Fall River Electric Freight Railway Company ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lynn ;

Changing the time of the law term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Bristol, and the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Bristol ;

Authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply ;

To amend the charter of the Gloucester Water Supply Company ;

Extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade ; and

To change the name of the Milford Mutual Relief Association ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable cities to make ordinances to govern the sale of prepared wood, slabs and edgings when sold by the load ;

To amend section 2 of chapter 114 of the Public Statutes, relative to the filing of certificates by agricultural societies claiming bounties (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the town of Randolph to pay bounties to James Halpin and Michael Lynch ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Somerville ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Patrick Buckley ; and

In favor of William Emerson ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Bill to prevent the taking of blue-fish with nets or seines in a portion of the waters of Wellfleet Bay in the town of Wellfleet, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 2, to wit : " Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, at quarter before four o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 13, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Petition, presented by Mr. Knox of Blandford, of the selectmen, town clerk and other citizens of Agawam; and by Mr. Atkins of Plainfield, of the selectmen and other officers of Huntington, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution, requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition, presented by Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, of Alvin Smith and others, in aid of the petition of W. S. Phillips, Jr., and others, that personal property may bear its just share of the burdens of taxation. To the committee on Taxation. Taxation of personal property.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Weston of Hingham, of the selectmen and other citizens of Cohasset, for the passage of an act enabling said town to raise and expend money for rebuilding a dam across the mouth of Mushquashcut River, came from the committee on Rules, with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Weston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference. Town of Cohasset, — Mushquashcut River.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as Merrimac River, — fisheries.

will prevent the taking of shad, alewives and other fish in the waters and at the mouth of the Merrimac River, and regulating the mesh of nets.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
objections to
licenses.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the right of owners of real estate within twenty-five feet of premises described in applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquor, so that the right shall apply to all licenses of the first five classes described in section 10 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Grade
crossings.

A Bill to further amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings, so as to provide for the assessment of damages in case of the discontinuance of a public way (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of
Wakefield, —
town meeting.

The House petition of the selectmen of Wakefield, for legislation to ratify the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Assistant
district attorney
for the
south-eastern
district.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendment to the House Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the south-eastern district. On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Sale and gift of
tobacco to
minors.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the Boston Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in aid of the order relative to amending chapter 72 of the Acts of 1886, concerning the sale and gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Worcester.

Worcester
Lunatic
Hospital.

By Mr. Horton of North Attleborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the fifty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Horton, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the awarding of damages to tenants for leased property taken by municipal corporations for public improvements or other purposes.

Damages to tenants for leased property taken by right of eminent domain.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, *Id.* inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the awarding of damages to tenants for leased property taken by right of eminent domain.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James B. Wiggin and others, that attachments shall not be made upon real estate until after judgment.

Attachments upon real estate.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 30 of chapter 183 of the Public Statutes, relating to exemptions in trustee process, by adding the following words thereto, at the end thereof: "Except where the claim attached is for board or lodging, or both."

Trustee process.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave *Id.* to withdraw, on the petition of John N. Robertson and others, that the exemption of wages from trustee process on a claim for necessities may be removed.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the law as to terminating tenancies at will.

Tenancies at will.

By Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for legislation for the protection of horses mutilated by docking.

Docking of horses.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the appointment of a State agent to secure the enforcement of the laws relating to truancy and absentees from school.

Truancy.

By Mr. Monk of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the minimum fees for liquor licenses, so as to reduce the amount to be paid for such licenses.

Intoxicating liquors,—license fees.

By Mr. Hunting of East Bridgewater, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transfer of liquor licenses on the death of the

Intoxicating liquors,—transfer of licenses.

licensee, and also to provide for the repayment to the heirs of the licensee of a certain portion of the license fee in case of the death of the licensee before the expiration of the license.

Railroads,—
flagman at
grade crossings.

By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, from the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to compelling all railroad corporations to keep a flagman at every grade crossing in the Commonwealth.

Subterranean
railways in
Suffolk and
Middlesex
counties.

By Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Spaulding, for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, and sundry petitions in aid of the same.

Annexation of a
part of Water-
town to Newton.

By Mr. Newell of Rowe, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William A. Alexander and others, for the annexation of a part of Watertown to the city of Newton. (Messrs. Monk of Brockton and Weston of Hingham, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Town of
Bourne,—
alewife fisheries
in Herring
River.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, on petitions, a Bill codifying and amending the laws relating to the alewife fishery in Herring River in the town of Bourne.

Foreign life
insurance
companies,—
accident
insurance.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition, a Bill to permit foreign life insurance companies to transact accident business.

New England
Commercial
Travellers
Association.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the New England Commercial Travellers Association to accumulate and hold a reserve fund not exceeding \$100,000.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

By Mr. Thurston of Enfield, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, in part, a Bill to amend an act to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Exemption of
wages under the
trustee process.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) regulating the exemption of wages attached under the trustee process ought not to pass.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) regulating costs in certain cases ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Bill of Paxton, from the committee on Agriculture, on a communication from the State Board of Agriculture transmitted by the Governor, relating to the gypsy moth, and on a special message from His Excellency concerning the gypsy moth commission, together with a letter from a committee of the State Board of Agriculture, a Bill to provide against the depredations of the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the building of a dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the same committee, on the communication from the treasurer, transmitted by the Governor, concerning the acceptance of and compliance with the terms of an act of Congress, a Bill to assent to the purpose of, and to accept, the grants of moneys authorized by the act of Congress approved Aug. 30, 1890, entitled "An Act to apply the proceeds from the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, established under the provisions of an act of Congress approved July 2, 1862."

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, in part, a Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Carpenter of Brookline moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in the adoption of the following order:—

Committee on
Federal
Relations,—
Columbian
Fair.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations be authorized to travel to Chicago to obtain full information respecting the part to be taken by the Commonwealth in the Columbian Fair, as a basis for recommending an appropriation.

After debate, the motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, in concurrence, Mr. Monk of Brockton moved that it be referred to the committee on Federal Relations, which motion was lost by a vote of 66 to 111. The order was then rejected by a vote of 112 to 67, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Fines for
imperfect
weaving.

Mr. Shaw of New Bedford moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving, which motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

City of Chelsea,
— grade
crossings.

On motion of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Albert D. Bosson, mayor of the city of Chelsea, for the abolition of the grade crossings in that city, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

On motions of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the reports :

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw :

Frank A.
Bartholomew,
— Boston
Elevated
Railway.

On the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad, to be called the Boston Elevated Railway ;

William B.
Mack, —
elevated rail-
road in Boston.

On the petition of William B. Mack and others, for an act of incorporation with authority to use the Mack or any other system of elevated railroads in and around Boston ; and

Reynolds T.
White, —
elevated rail-
road in Boston.

On the petition of Reynolds T. White, for authority to build, equip, maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill relating to the watering of streets in cities was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Watering of streets in cities.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank of Reading; Bills enacted.

To change the name of the Home for Aged Women in Waltham;

To dissolve the Canadian Co-operative Bank in the city of Lowell;

To authorize the city of Boston to anticipate its authority to borrow money within its debt limit for any current municipal year;

To incorporate the Haverhill Safe Deposit and Trust Company in the city of Haverhill;

Relating to the payment of teachers in the public schools;

To dissolve the Revere Co-operative Bank; and

To dissolve the Shawme Savings Bank in the town of Sandwich;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Relating to the apportionment of sewer assessments in cities;

To extend the time for the election of assessors and an assistant assessor of the city of Marlborough;

To supply the town of Manchester with water; and

To change the name of the New England Society for the Suppression of Vice;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate: Orders of the day.

On an order relative to amending the law in relation to the trial of cases in court so that in cases of hardship to the claimants or plaintiffs by reason of poverty or distress, or otherwise, such cases, upon proper affidavit, may be advanced for speedy trial;

On an order relative to legislation to provide for the dissolution of parishes after the transfer of all the property to an incorporated church ; and

On an order relative to amending section 46 of chapter 212 of the Public Statutes, relating to magistrates admitting to bail, by inserting the words " commissioner of insolvency " after the words " master in chancery ; "

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 193 of the Acts of 1887, relating to fisheries in the town of Westport, so as to permit fishing with seines or nets from the first day of November until the first day of May ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to authorizing towns to elect a board of trustees, to have the custody and management, except in cases where it is by law otherwise provided, of funds and property held by towns in trust under the laws of the Commonwealth ; and

On an order relative to providing for a convention of delegates of the people for the purpose of revising the Constitution of the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to the printing and distribution of the laws and public documents, so as to provide for an enlarged distribution of the acts and resolves of the General Court ;

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the making up of trains on grade crossings ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. W. Houghton and others, to fix the railroad freight on milk within fifty miles of Boston at three cents per can in winter and four cents in summer ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the assent in writing of the owners of three-fourths of the assessed value of the land situated within one hundred feet of a highway over which any street railway requests a location before any location is granted ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the Deputy Controllers of County Accounts was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Cape Poge Ferry Company ;

To provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against savings banks ;

To authorize the city of Newburyport to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its general indebtedness ;

To amend section 70 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor ;

To increase the number of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Lynn ; and

To provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in the city of Salem ; and the

Resolve providing for repairs to the school-house in the town of Gay Head ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the Fall River Electric Freight Railway Company ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lynn ; and

Changing the time of the law term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Bristol, and the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Bristol ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply ;

To amend the charter of the Gloucester Water Supply Company ;

Extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade ; and

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To change the name of the Milford Mutual Relief Association;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to conferring upon the boards of health in cities and towns authority to enforce sanitary regulations in public buildings and school-houses, was further considered. Mr. Sawyer of Danvers moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to transfer the inspection of public buildings and school-houses from the district police to the local boards of health," pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, after debate, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, on further motion of Mr. Sawyer.

At half-past two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 16, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The sixth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners was received from the secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Manufactures, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Joint Special Committee Appointed.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the joint special committee on the part of the House, to report a plan for re-dividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate: — Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Richardson of Newburyport, Presho of Boston, McDonald of Pittsfield, White of Worcester, Lomasney of Boston, Pratt of Lowell, Rideout of Cambridge, Finney of Plymouth, Lord of Athol and Child of Swanzey.

Joint special committee,—re-division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Gale of Haverhill, of A. W. Chase and others, against the granting of the petition of the mayor of Haverhill for authority for said city to increase its debt limit. To the committee on Cities.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Peterson of Whitman, of George Sylvester and others; of Clifford I. Rogers and others; of Waldo Jones and others; of E. T. Fogg, the town of Norwell and others; of Charles H. Killam and others; and of Edwin Tower and others, — severally, and in aid of the petition of Eugene Clapp and others, for an act of incorporation as the Plymouth County Railroad.

Plymouth County Railroad.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Dewey of Boston, of William Gardner Reed, that certain acts done by him as a

William Gardner Reed.

justice of the peace may be confirmed and made valid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Dewey, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

Intoxicating
liquors, — dis-
posal of for-
feited liquors.

On an order relative to inquiring into the disposal of liquors forfeited to the Commonwealth and of amending the law in relation to the same ;

Intoxicating
liquors, — revo-
cation of
licenses.

On an order relative to providing that the board or body granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall not have power to revoke liquor licenses, and providing that such licenses shall be revoked by conviction in any court of any offence against the liquor law, notwithstanding an appeal from such conviction ; and

Intoxicating
liquors, —
license fees.

On an order relative to amending section 14 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relative to the payment of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, so that three-fourths of all moneys received by the treasurer of a city or town for liquor licenses shall be paid to the treasurer of the county in which such city or town is located ;

Regimental and
battalion staff
officers.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Robert Ball Edes and others, regimental and battalion staff officers, that such officers may have the rank of captain, and for an amendment of chapter 425 of the Acts of 1890 to that effect ; and

Boston, city of,
— salaries of the
constables of
the South Bos-
ton municipal
court.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Woodcock,
grouse, quail
and duck.

Fixing the penalty for the taking or killing of woodcock, grouse, quail and duck within certain periods (reported on an order and petitions) ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston (reported on an order) ;

Boston, city of, — salary of the justice of the Charlestown municipal court.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to authorize the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture to employ an assistant clerk (reported on an order) ; and a

Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, — clerical assistance.

Resolve providing for the gratuitous distribution of the atlas map of Massachusetts to certain departments and persons (reported on an order and a resolve introduced on leave in the House) ;

Atlas map of Massachusetts.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petitions of the selectmen of Billerica ; of the selectmen and town clerk of Leyden ; of the selectmen and town clerk of Provincetown ; of the selectmen and others of Truro ; and of the selectmen and others of Westhampton, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants of towns for their division.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of the president and trustees of Bowdoin College, for the assent of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to an amendment of the charter of said college, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bowdoin College.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. B. Sanborn, for compensation and reimbursement for services rendered the State as inspector of public charities.

F. B. Sanborn.

By Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the assessment upon a person's property to be made upon the amount of the property of the person assessed, less the amount of debts owed by him.

Taxation, — assessments of property less the amount of debts.

Taxation, —
exemption of
certain persons.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from taxation all persons not possessing taxable property. Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Municipal
indebtedness.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Cities, on an order and a petition, a Bill to amend section 6 of chapter 29 of the Public Statutes, relating to municipal indebtedness.

Anatomical
science.

By Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 81 of the Public Statutes, relating to the promotion of anatomical science.

Dorchester
Historical
Society.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Dorchester Historical Society.

Thompson and
Baker Coal
Company.

By Mr. Swallow of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Thompson and Baker Coal Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of Ayer.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the town of Ayer ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Regimental
histories.

By Mr. Prouty of Scituate, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Discharged from the Orders.

Attachments
upon real
estate after
judgment.

On motions of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James B. Wiggin and others that attachments shall not be made upon real estate until after judgment, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 24, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

On motions of Mr. Emery of Taunton, the report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for legislation for the protection of horses mutilated by docking, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Docking of horses.

On motions of Mr. Moreau of Spencer, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the minimum fees for liquor licenses, so as to reduce the amount to be paid for such licenses, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Intoxicating liquors, — minimum fees for liquor licenses.

On motions of Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Spaulding, for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, and sundry petitions in aid of the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Finney of Plymouth, the Bill codifying and amending the laws relating to the alewife fishery in Herring River, in the town of Bourne, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Town of Bourne, — alewives in Herring River.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill relating to the watering of streets in cities was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day.

Watering of streets in cities.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

- To authorize the Caledonian Club in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ;
- To incorporate the Wachusett Club of Haverhill ;
- To establish the salary of the clerk of the second district court of eastern Middlesex ; and

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Boston Tow Boat Company to increase its capital stock ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to changing the law as to terminating tenancies at will ;

On an order relative to providing for the awarding of damages to tenants for leased property taken by municipal corporations for public improvements or other purposes ;

On an order relative to providing by law for the awarding of damages to tenants for leased property taken by right of eminent domain ; and

On an order relative to amending section 30 of chapter 183 of the Public Statutes, relating to exemptions in trustee process, by adding the following words thereto, at the end thereof, " except where the claim attached is for board or lodging or both ; " and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John N. Robertson and others, that the exemption of wages from trustee process on a claim for necessities may be removed ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of E. C. Fitch and others that the boundary line between the cities of Newton and Waltham be changed ;

Of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the appointment of a State agent to secure the enforcement of the laws relating to truancy and absentees from school ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transfer of liquor licenses on the death of the licensee, and also to provide for the repayment to the heirs of the licensee of a certain portion of the license fee in case of the death of the licensee before the expiration of the license ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to compelling all railroad corporations to keep a flagman at every grade crossing in the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the right of owners of real estate within twenty-five feet of premises described in applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquor, so that the right shall apply to all licenses of the first five classes described in section 10 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the New England' Commercial Travellers Association to accumulate and hold a reserve fund not exceeding \$100,000;

To amend an act to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates;

To permit foreign life insurance companies to transact accident business; and

To further amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings, so as to provide for the assessment of damages in case of the discontinuance of a public way; and the

Resolve granting county taxes;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Regulating costs in certain cases; and

Regulating the exemption of wages attached under the trustee process;

Were severally rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills:

To allow further time for the extension and construction of the New York and Massachusetts Railway (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To incorporate the Cape Poge Ferry Company;

To provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against savings banks;

To authorize the city of Newburyport to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its general indebtedness; and

To amend section 70 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor; and the

Resolve providing for repairs to the school-house in the town of Gay Head;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To increase the number of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Lynn; and

To provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in the city of Salem;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on its engrossment, in concurrence, Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Thursday next, which motion was lost. After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William A. Alexander and others, for the annexation of a part of Watertown to the city of Newton, was considered. Mr. Howard of Newton moved to amend by striking out the words "petitioners have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," which motion was lost, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, at eight minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 17, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a detailed report made by the chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, containing statistical and other information relative to the manufacture of clothing under the "sweating system," so called. The message was read, and, on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the message and the accompanying document were laid on the table and ordered to be printed. [House, No. 255.]

Message from the Governor, — Bureau of Statistics of Labor, — manufacture of clothing under the "sweating system."

Petitions.

A petition, presented by Mr. Prescho of Boston, of the school committee of the city of Boston, that its superintendent and supervisors may be elected in June instead of in March, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Prescho, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Boston, — election of superintendent and supervisors by the school committee.

A petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of M. J. Bishop and others, that the laws relating to Sunday work may be amended so as to secure for bakers one day of rest out of seven, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Bakers, — Sunday work.

Papers from the Senate.

Franklin
County, — dis-
trict courts.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing one or more district courts in Franklin County for the jurisdiction over the whole of said county or a portion or portions of said county, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston Lying-
in Hospital.

A Bill to change the name of the Boston Lying-in Hospital (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mary E.
Perkins.
New England
Industrial
School for
Deaf Mutes.

Resolves :

In favor of Mary E. Perkins ; and

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Fall River Loan
and Trust
Company.

The House Bill to incorporate the Fall River Loan and Trust Company came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in section 1, lines 9, 10, 11 and 12, by striking out the words "with a capital stock of two hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into two thousand shares of one hundred dollars each ;" also by adding a section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : "*Section 2.* The capital stock of said corporation shall be two hundred thousand dollars and shall be divided into two thousand shares of one hundred dollars each." On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Compulsory
medical treat-
ment or surgi-
cal operations.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of Allen T. Hodge and others, for legislation protecting citizens against compulsory medical treatment or surgical operations, and protecting minors from such treatment or operations against the will of parents and guardians, had been referred by that branch to the next General Court, under the 12th joint rule

Basis of repre-
sentation at
nominating
conventions.

Also of the rejection by the Senate of the House Bill to provide for the basis of representation at nominating conventions.

Notice was also received from the Senate that the following-named gentlemen had been appointed as the joint special committee on the part of that branch to report a plan for re-dividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts: Messrs Bennett, Breed, McDonald and McNary.

Joint special committee, — congressional districts.

A petition of the selectmen and others of Mattapoisett, for an amendment to the Constitution providing that towns shall not be divided without the consent of the inhabitants thereof, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Williams of Dudley, from the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Agriculture upon the condition of the forests of the State, the need and method of their protection and the encouragement of tree planting. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Williams, and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of Agriculture, — forests.

By Mr. Bullard of Sutton, from the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Agriculture relative to the birds that inhabit the State, their character, habit and value as insect-destroying and fruit-destroying birds, with advice as to legislation for the protection of public and private interests.

State Board of Agriculture, — birds.

By Mr. Kemp of Pepperell, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Agriculture acting as overseers of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

State Board of Agriculture, — Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Bill of Paxton, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide for securing a more complete knowledge of the history and character of persons accused of crime, for the assistance of the courts and others who shall have occasion to deal with them.

History and character of persons accused of crime.

By Mr. Kittredge of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for the passage of an act authoriz-

City of Boston, — common council.

ing the payment of a suitable salary to the members of the common council of said city. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Buckley of Holyoke, Quincy of Quincy and Rosnosky of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Elections, —
election officers.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 18 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so that registrars may serve as inspectors, deputy inspectors, ballot clerks or tellers of any State or municipal election.

Registrars of
voters in towns.

By Mr. Hall of Waltham, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing section 59 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890 relating to the exemption of towns of less than 300 voters from the provision requiring the appointment of a board of registrars of voters.

Public chari-
table institu-
tions, — fire-
escapes.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 378 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to fire-escapes at State institutions for the insane, so that all the public charitable institutions of this Commonwealth may be provided with fire-escapes.

Boundary line
between
Brockton and
West Bridge-
water.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward H. Keith and others, that the boundary line between the city of Brockton and the town of West Bridgewater be changed. (Mr. Eaton of the Senate, and Messrs. Monk of Brockton, Weston of Hingham and O'Neil of Chicopee, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State Alms-
house at
Tewksbury.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for a new insane hospital, and certain repairs and improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, Resolve providing for a new insane asylum and certain repairs and improvements at the State Almshouse.

Waltham Sav-
ings Bank.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against the Waltham Savings Bank ought to pass in the form of a resolve with the same title.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill

making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill to limit the proportion of the land of any city or town which can be purchased or held exempt from taxation. Taxation,—
land of cities
and towns.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to provide an additional water supply for the city of Waltham. City of
Waltham,—
water supply.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Waltham to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its indebtedness. City of
Waltham,—
bonds.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to confirm the acts and proceedings of the Everett Congregational Society ought to pass. Everett Congre-
gational
Society.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by the clerks of courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk ought to pass. Suffolk County,
— fees of clerks
of courts.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to amend an act relating to sales of goods, wares and merchandise taken into a city or town to be sold by auction ought to pass. Sale of goods,
wares and mer-
chandise at
auction.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ought to pass. Gypsy moth.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for furniture and machinery at the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ought to pass. Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-minded.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Fanny Ross ought to pass. Fanny Ross.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton. State Lunatic
Hospital at
Northampton.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill appropriating \$10,000 for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Report of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

On motions of Mr. Salter of Lynn, the seventh annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Public Service, and sent up for concurrence.

Docking of
horses.

On motions of Mr. Emery of Taunton, the report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for legislation for the protection of horses mutilated by docking, was taken from the table, and was recommitted to the committee on Agriculture.

Discharged from the Orders.

Regimental
histories.

On motion of Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 391 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the observance of the Lord's day, so that druggists and apothecaries may be allowed to sell cigars and tobacco on Sunday, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. B. Sanborn for compensation and reimbursement for services rendered the State as inspector of public charities ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to requiring the assessment upon a person's property to be made upon the amount of the property of the person assessed, less the amount of debts owed by him ; and

On an order relative to exempting from taxation all persons not possessing taxable property ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to inquiring into the disposal of liquors forfeited to the Commonwealth, and of amending the law in relation to the same ;

On an order relative to providing that the board or body granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall not have power to revoke liquor licenses, and providing that such licenses shall be revoked by conviction in any court of any offence against the liquor law, notwithstanding an appeal from such conviction ; and

On an order relative to amending section 14 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to the payment of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, so that three-fourths of all moneys received by the treasurer of a city or town for liquor licenses shall be paid to the treasurer of the county in which such city or town is located ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Robert Ball Edes and others, regimental and battalion staff officers, that such officers may have the rank of captain, and for an amendment of chapter 425 of the Acts of 1890 to that effect ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston, that their salaries may be increased ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Thompson and Baker Coal Company ;

To incorporate the Dorchester Historical Society ;

Fixing the penalty for the taking or killing of woodcock ; grouse, quail and duck within certain periods ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston; and the

Resolve in favor of the town of Ayer;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the New England Commercial Travellers Association to increase its reserve fund (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To amend an act to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ; and the

Resolve granting county taxes ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to further amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings, so as to provide for the assessment of damages in case of the discontinuance of a public way, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to others than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors to be drank on the premises where sold, except to persons who have resorted there for food or lodging," which was read. Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by adding at the end of section 1 the words, " The term ' lunch ' and the term ' meal ' as used in this section shall mean a lunch or meal costing not less than twenty cents." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Meade of Salem. The amendment moved by Mr. Powers was rejected by a vote of 36 to 106. On the question on the substitution of the bill moved by Mr. Quincy, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the roll being called the substitute bill was rejected by a vote of 78 yeas to 121 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gale, John A.
 Golding, John
 Hall, Henry C.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hurley, John T.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.

Messrs. Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parker, James O.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Shaw, Ebenezer
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stearns, William H.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Worcester, Charles F.
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis A.	Messrs. Bennett, Frank P.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Bill, Ledyard
Bacheller, Charles M.	Bingham, Henry T.
Baker, Charles H.	Blanchard, S. Stillman
Barrett, Richard F.	Bliss, Frederic W.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Britton, Henry W.

Messrs. Brooks, Ethan.

Bullard, Henry B.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Butler, William M.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Chester, Dwight
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clarke, George E.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hodges, William D.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.

Messrs. Kilmer, Frederick M.

Kimball, John W.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lewis, James A.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 McLean, Isaac
 Meade, William E.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Plummer, John M.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Salter, John J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stevens, William S.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.

Messrs. Weston, Thomas	Messrs. Williams, Hezekiah W.
White, Franklin B.	Wilson, William Power
Whitney, Edwin	Withington, Nathan N.
Wier, Fred N.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Wilder, Aaron O.	

Yeas, 78 ; Nays, 121.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Sohier, William D. (present.)	Messrs. Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Quinn, Patrick J.	Wheaton, Henry C. (present.)

On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Day of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 108 yeas to 88 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Coburn, Clarence G.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Converse, Morton E.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Corbett, Myron L.
Baker, Charles H.	Curtis, Francis C.
Barrett, Richard F.	Danforth, John M.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Day, Frederick B.
Bennett, Frank P.	Dyar, Perlie A.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Edson, Nathan
Bill, Ledyard	Emery, S. Hopkins
Bingham, Henry T.	Fairbanks, John W.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Fales, Nathan H.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Ferren, Myron J.
Britton, Henry W.	Fears, Isaac P.
Brooks, Ethan	Gammons, Benjamin
Bullard, Henry B.	Giles, Joseph J.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Butler, William M.	Gould, David E.
Capen, Robert P.	Greene, Edward W.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Harding, N. Frank
Carpenter, George N.	Hartshorn, James A.
Chester, Dwight	Hemenway, Augustus
Child, Daniel R.	Henderson, Charles W.
Clapp, James W.	Hickox, Stephen A.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Hodges, William D.
Clark, Louis M.	Horton, Everett S.
Clarke, George E.	Howard, S. Edward

Messrs. Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lewis, James A.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 Meade, William E.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Murray, Michael J.

Messrs. Newell, Charles B.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Salter, John J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Worcester, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Davis, Squire S.

Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.

Messrs. Keliber, Thomas J.	Messrs. Plummer, John M.
Knowlton, George K.	Presho, Edward W.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Quincy, Josiah
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Rady, Andrew J.
Luby, Patrick B.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Lynch, John B.	Ramage, James
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Reid, James
McAnally, Frank	Richardson, Arthur C.
McDonald, Peter J.	Ripley, Samuel E.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Rosnosky, Isaac
McKenna, George B.	Shaw, Ebenezer
McLean, Isaac	Smith, Charles S.
McLoughlin, John T.	Smith, Elvin L.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
McSolla, Richard F.	Stevens, William S.
Mellen, James H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Swallow, George N.
Mooney, William L.	Tilden, Charles A.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Tilton, Frank B.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Turner, Charles W.
Mott, Edward	Warren, Bentley W.
Oakes, William H.	Wetherell, Barney T.
O'Brien, John	Wilson, William Power
O'Brien, John J.	Withington, Nathan N.
Parker, James O.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 108 ; Nays, 88.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Messrs. Sollier, William D. (present.)
Thompson, Edwin D.	McEnaney, Thomas O. (present.)
Wheaton, Henry C. (present.)	Quinn, Patrick J.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. M. Hyams and others that cigars and tobacco may be allowed to be sold on the Lord's day, was further considered. Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to further regulate the observance of the Lord's day," which was read. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Barrett of Malden, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 51 to 76, and the report was accepted.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to conferring upon the boards of health in cities and towns authority to enforce sanitary regulations in public buildings and school-houses, was further considered. Pending the question on the substitution of the bill moved by Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, —

On motion of Mr. Wright of Duxbury, at twenty-three minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned by a vote of 89 to 32.

WEDNESDAY, March 18, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Ellis of Boston, of Stephen Salisbury and 89 others of Worcester; of the Washburn & Moen Manufacturing Company and 101 others of Worcester; of the National Bank of Commerce and 137 others of New Bedford; of W. A. Bullard and 28 others of Cambridge; of Abram French & Co. and 160 others of Boston; of the Pittsfield National Bank and 6 others of Pittsfield; of H. S. Hyde and 97 others of Springfield; and of Oscar Edwards and 31 others of Northampton,—severally, against any proposed legislation respecting the registration of mercantile agencies.

Mercantile agencies.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of W. F. Wheeler and others, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of personal property.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of the city solicitor of New Bedford, for legislation conferring upon the board of public works of said city the care of shade trees, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Butler, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of New Bedford,—care of shade trees.

A petition, presented by Mr. Buchholz of Springfield, of Garrett B. B. Larkey and others, for incorporation as the Reserve College of Physicians and Surgeons, came

Reserve College of Physicians and Surgeons.

from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Buchholz, the 12th joint rule was suspended by a vote of 108 to 2, and the petition was referred to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Great Barrington Gas Light Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Pomeroy of Great Barrington, of Frank H. Wright and others, for legislation authorizing the Great Barrington Gas Light Company to sell its property and franchises, and the Great Barrington Electric Light Company to purchase the same, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Pomeroy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Manufactures, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Boundary line between Belmont and Cambridge.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of the selectmen of Belmont, for a re-adjustment of the dividing line between Belmont and Cambridge, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th and 12th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Ensign, the 9th and 12th joint rules were suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference with instructions.

City of New Bedford, — tenure of office of police officers.

A petition, presented by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of the city solicitor of New Bedford, for such legislation as will confirm the acceptance by said city of chapter 319 of the Acts of 1890, relative to the tenure of office of the police force in certain cities, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Butler, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Eastern Middlesex district courts.

A petition, presented by Mr. Turner of Malden, of John W. Pettengill and others, for the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of officers to attend upon district courts of eastern Middlesex, came from the com-

mittee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Turner, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Moreau of Spencer:—

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a district court in the county of Worcester, including within its jurisdiction the towns of Spencer, Brookfield, North Brookfield, West Brookfield, Warren and Oakham, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Moreau, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Worcester County, — district court to include the towns of Spencer, Brookfield, North Brookfield, West Brookfield, Warren and Oakham.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

To incorporate the Mattapan Deposit and Trust Company;

Mattapan Deposit and Trust Company.

To exempt the town of Harwich from the expense of rebuilding and maintaining the Bass River upper and lower bridges in the county of Barnstable;

Town of Harwich.

To establish the salary of the sheriff for the county of Hampshire;

Salary of the sheriff of Hampshire County.

(Severally reported on a petition);

In relation to diplomas granted to graduates of the State normal schools in this Commonwealth; and

Diplomas granted to normal school graduates.

Providing for the withdrawal of names of candidates for town offices;

Town elections, — withdrawal of candidates.

(Severally reported on an order);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House petition of William Gardner Reed, that certain acts done by him as a justice of the peace may be confirmed and made valid, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

William Gardner Reed.

The following remonstrances were referred, in concurrence : —

Mercantile
agencies.

Remonstrances of A. W. Stearns and others ; of Morrill Bros. & Co. and others ; of Wheeler, Blodgett & Co. and others ; of the Massachusetts National Bank of Boston and others ; of H. C. Thacher & Co. and others ; of the First National Bank of Lynn and others ; and of W. Claffin Coburn & Co. and others, — severally, against the proposed legislation respecting the regulation of mercantile agencies.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Town of East-
hampton.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Easthampton, that the proceedings of its annual town meeting, held on March 9, 1891, may be ratified and confirmed, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston,
— tax limit.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the tax limit of the city of Boston. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Collection of
taxes.

By Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, from the committee on Taxation, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to amending the existing laws relating to the collection of taxes under special warrant, for the reason that the matter is covered by section 9 of chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bennett of Everett, and sent up for concurrence.

George E.
Stickney, —
safe deposit and
trust company
in Newbury-
port.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George E. Stickney and others for authority to establish a safe deposit and trust company in Newburyport.

Town elections,
— ballot-boxes.

By Mr. Raftery of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 84 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to furnishing ballot-boxes at the expense of the Commonwealth, so as to provide for furnishing and using more than one such box in certain towns.

By Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation offering a bounty for the destruction of hawks and other predatory birds.

Bounty for the destruction of hawks and other predatory birds.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to taxation, so as to provide how notices, summons and demands may be served.

Taxation, — notices, summons and demands.

By Mr. Edson of Barnstable, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Samuel W. Mendum and others, for the collection of all taxes by a single tax upon land.

Single tax upon land.

By Mr. Carter of Wakefield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to make a tax upon personal property a State tax instead of a local tax, and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of such taxes in cities and towns among the Commonwealth.

Taxation of personal property.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide that all taxes on personal property shall be collected by the State, and that all returns now required to be made to the local assessors shall be made to the proper State officer.

Id.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Bill of Paxton, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill relating to the recovery of damages for personal injuries caused by dogs.

Dogs.

By Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the property qualification for the office of governor, a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor.

Constitutional amendment, — property qualification for the office of governor.

By Mr. Edson of Barnstable, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition, a Bill relating to the exemption

Exemption from taxation of houses of religious worship.

of houses of religious worship from taxation. (Mr. Kelly of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Veteran fire-
men's associa-
tions.

By Mr. Weston of Hingham, from the committee on Towns, on an order, a Bill to enable cities and towns to lease quarters in their public buildings to veteran firemen's associations.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

School fund.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill relating to the distribution of the school fund ought to pass.

Hours of labor,
— railroad em-
ployees.

Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, to whom was referred the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees, and to whom was referred an order relative to limiting by law the hours of labor for the employees of railroads operated in this Commonwealth, and of compelling extra compensation for extra service, reported that the bill ought to pass. (Mr. Rotch of the Senate, and Messrs. Shaw of New Bedford, Atkins of Plainfield and Pomeroy of Great Barrington, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Salaries of the
register and
assistant regis-
ter of probate
and insolvency
for Middlesex
County.

By Mr. Brophy of Framingham, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the register and assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Report of the
Board of
Police for the
city of Boston.

On motions of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the sixth annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
State House
Construction
Commissioners.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the second annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on State House and sent up for concurrence.

Number of
assessed polls
and registered
voters at the
State, city and
town elections
of 1890.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the annual report of the number of assessed polls and the number of registered voters at the State, city and town elections in the year 1890 was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Election Laws and sent up for concurrence.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the annual report of the Tax Commissioner was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Taxation and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Tax Commis-
sioner.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the days on which State and municipal elections are held legal holidays was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 25, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Election days as
legal holidays.

On motions of the same gentleman, the message from His Excellency the Governor, together with reports of the inspection department of the State Police, on the subject of the manufacture of clothing in tenement houses; and the Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting the report of the chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, relative to the manufacture of clothing under the "sweating system," so called;

Manufacture of
clothing under
the "sweating
system."

Id.

Were severally taken from the table, and were severally referred to the committee on Public Health and sent up for concurrence.

On motions of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Expenditures and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the communication from the Auditor of the Commonwealth, in compliance with an order of the House, dated February 18, transmitting a statement of grants and allowances to sundry institutions made by the Legislature from 1860 to 1890, inclusive, was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Auditor of the
Commonwealth,
— statement of
grants to sundry
institutions by
the Legislature.

On motions of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Albert D. Bosson, mayor of the city of Chelsea, for the abolition of the grade crossings in that city, was taken from the table, and was recommitted to the committee on Railroads.

City of Chelsea,
— grade cross-
ings.

On motions of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Labor and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Suffolk County,
— fees of clerks
of courts.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by clerks of courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk. After debate the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Owners and
managers of
sleeping-cars as
common car-
riers.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Newton, the Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 52 to 6. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Railroads.

Watering of
streets in cities.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill relating to the watering of streets in cities was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway of Canton, the Bill making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Boston Lying-in
Hospital.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the Bill to change the name of the Boston Lying-in Hospital was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.**Engrossed bills:*

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Arlington to issue scrip or bonds for the payment or refunding of its water debt;

To authorize the town of Everett to improve its water supply and issue scrip or bonds for the payment and refunding of its water debt ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ;

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital for the year 1890 ;

To authorize the city of Taunton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law ;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the south-eastern district ;

To divide ward 6 in the city of Gloucester into two voting precincts ;

In addition to an act providing for the improvement and rebuilding of the court-house at Taunton ;

To repeal the law requiring triennial returns by water boards, commissioners and companies to the State Board of Health ;

Relative to renewing a funded loan of the city of Worcester ;

Concerning the board of health of the city of Waltham ;

Relative to signals of the approach of trains to crossings above the level of a highway ;

Relating to the sinking fund for the payment of the water bonds of the city of Springfield ;

Relative to the taking of smelts in the county of Nantucket ; and

To provide for the abandonment of the Ironstone station and to establish a new station at South Uxbridge on the New York and New England Railroad ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

In addition to an act to amend the charter of the Worcester Natural History Society ;

To amend the charter of the Gloucester Water Supply Company ;

Authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply ;

To change the name of the Milford Mutual Relief Association ; and

Extending the provisions of the Public Statutes relating to the taxable valuation of vessels engaged in the foreign carrying trade ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of George Golbert ; and

In favor of Levi B. Kelley ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide for securing a more complete knowledge of the history and character of persons accused of crime, for the assistance of the courts and others who shall have occasion to deal with them, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 18 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so that registrars may serve as inspectors, deputy inspectors, ballot clerks or tellers of any city or municipal election ; and

On an order relative to repealing section 59 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the exemption of towns of less than 300 voters from the provision requiring the appointment of a board of registrars of voters ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 378 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to fire-escapes at State institutions for the insane, so that all the public charitable institutions of this Commonwealth may be provided with fire-escapes ; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward H. Keith and others, that the boundary line between the city of Brockton and the town of West Bridgewater be changed ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing one or more district courts in Franklin County for the jurisdiction over the whole of said county, or a portion or portions of said county, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend section 6 of chapter 29 of the Public Statutes relating to municipal indebtedness ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Waltham ;

To enable the city of Waltham to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its indebtedness ; and

To confirm the acts and proceedings of the Everett Congregational Society ; and

Resolves :

Providing for a new insane asylum and certain repairs and improvements at the State Almshouse ;

Providing for furniture and machinery at the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ; and

In favor of Fanny Ross ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to change the name of the Thompson and Baker Coal Company, was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston ; and the

Resolve in favor of the town of Ayer ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to conferring upon the boards of health in cities and towns authority to enforce sanitary regulations in public buildings and school-houses, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers. The bill moved as an amendment by Mr. Sawyer was substituted, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending sections 58 and 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, relating to subscriptions for sales by public auction of the capital stock of railroad corporations, so as to provide that all railroads when granted authority to increase their capital stock shall sell such stock at public auction, was

further considered. Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to require railroad corporations increasing their capital stock to sell the new shares at public auction." Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, which motion prevailed by a vote of 85 to 28. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on the question of the substitution of the bill, at the request of Mr. Quincy, and the roll being called, the bill was substituted by a vote of 101 yeas to 56 nays, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.

Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brophy, James L.
 Buckley, William P.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Burke, James F.
 Butler, William M.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Golding, John
 Gould, David E.

Messrs. Hall, Henry C.

Harding, N. Frank
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hurley, John T.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac

Messrs. McLoughlin, John T.	Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Savage, Patrick J.
McSolla, Richard F.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Mellen, James H.	Smith, Charles S.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Smith, Elvin L.
Mooney, William L.	Sprague, Charles F.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Stearns, William H.
O'Brien, John	Swallow, George N.
O'Brien, John J.	Tilden, Charles A.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Tilton, Frank B.
Peterson, Benjamin F.	Tucker, George F.
Pomeroy, John P.	Turner, Charles W.
Presho, Edward W.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Quincy, Josiah	Waterman, Eben C.
Quinn, Patrick J.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Rady, Andrew J.	Wilson, William Power
Rafty, Patrick H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Ramage, James	

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett, Richard F.	Messrs. Lane, Howard G.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Langdon, Henry W.
Brooks, Ethan	Lawrence, William B.
Brown, George H.	Lord, Lucien
Chester, Dwight	Loud, John C.
Clapp, James W.	McFethries, John
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Monk, Hiram A.
Converse, Morton E.	Murray, Michael J.
Corbett, Myron L.	Newell, Charles B.
Danforth, John M.	Oakes, William H.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Dyar, Perlie A.	Perkins, George W.
Fairbanks, John W.	Plummer, John M.
Flood, Nathan B.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Gale, John A.	Read, Franklin F.
Giles, Joseph J.	Rice, William H.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Handley, Aaron C.	Shaw, Charles F.
Hartshorn, James A.	Sohier, William D.
Henderson, Charles W.	Stevens, William S.
Horton, Everett S.	Taft, Henry G.
Howard, S. Edward	Turner, Henry E.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Weston, Thomas
Johnson, Henry H.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Kimball, John W.	White, Franklin B.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Whitney, Edwin
Knowlton, George K.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Lane, Hiram B.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 101 ; Nays, 56.

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PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hevey, Thomas D.	Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.*
Day, Frederick B.*	Wardwell, J. Otis
Salter, John J.*	Bachelor, Charles M.
Pratt, Amasa	Parker, James O.*
Carter, Richard A.*	Thompson, Edwin D.
Moriarty, Eugene M.*	Baker, Charles H.
Carpenter, George N.	Ferren, Myron J.*
Edson, Nathan*	Hunting, Amos
Wier, Fred N.	Warren, Bentley W.*
Greene, Edward W.	Moore, Charles*

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, at two minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

* Present.

THURSDAY, March 19, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Petition, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of the selectmen and 48 other citizens of Sandwich, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petition, presented by Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, of the selectmen of Marblehead, in aid of the petitions asking for such a general law as will enable all municipalities to establish and operate electric light plants. To the committee on Manufactures.

Establishment of electric light plants by cities and towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Swallow of Boston, of McGrath Brothers and 16 others ; and of John Q. A. Field and 17 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Marble Dealers' Association, for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work when set up in cemeteries.

Lien law, — monuments in cemeteries.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

A petition, presented by Mr. Baker of Lynn, of the mayor of Lynn, for an act providing that all members of the regular police force of Lynn, except the city marshal, shall be hereafter appointed by the mayor, to hold office during good behavior, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Baker, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Lynn, — tenure of office of police officers.

First Congrega-
tional Church
and Society in
Baldwinville.

A petition, presented by Mr. Converse of Winchendon, of the First Congregational Church and Society in Baldwinville, that its acts may be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Converse, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Railroad from
Amesbury to
the New Hamp-
shire line.

A petition, presented by Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, of Richard F. Briggs and others, supplementary to the petition of Richard F. Briggs and others, for authority to build a railroad from some point on the Amesbury branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad to the New Hampshire line, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Clin-
ton, — town
meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, of the selectmen of the town of Clinton, that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town in 1891 may be ratified and confirmed, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Parkhurst, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of Nan-
tucket, — town
meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, of Arthur H. Gardner, on the part of the town of Nantucket, for legislation legalizing the election of officers of said town, chosen at the last annual town meeting, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gardner, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, to whom was referred the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, inquire as to the methods practised by said board in the filling of the South Boston flats in relation to compensation for displacement of tidal waters, either "in kind," or by contribution in money to the "harbor fund," in accordance with the rules of said board as applied and enforced upon other parties making improvements in Boston harbor, and report in print the facts for the use of the Legislature.

Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners, —
South Boston
flats.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Meade of Salem, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Quincy of Quincy: —

Ordered, That the committee on Reapportionment consider the expediency of procuring maps of the States of Arkansas, Alabama and Illinois, showing their last apportionment of congressional districts, to be used as a guide by this Legislature in redistricting this Commonwealth in a symmetrical and non-partisan manner.

Committee on
re-districting
the State into
congressional
districts.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Agriculture.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Railroads.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of changing any existing laws relating to the reserve required to be held by, or the liabilities of, the stockholders of safe deposit, loan and trust companies, whether organized under the general law or by special act.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies, —
reserve fund.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Davis and others

Railroad com-
panies, — grade
crossings.

for legislation requiring railroad companies to keep their grade crossings covered with snow so as to be passable for sleighs during the period of sleighing, and requiring cities and towns to keep their highways in good condition for sleighing, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Towns, — jurisdiction over highways.

To give towns jurisdiction over highways and county bridges (reported on a petition and orders) ;

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

To authorize beneficiary associations to return to members certain additions to death funds (reported on an order) ; and

New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company.

To revive the powers of and extend the time for building the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Naturalization.

A Bill relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

A Resolve in favor of the Woman's Charity Club Hospital (reported on petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Widow of Robert C. Pitman.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) in favor of the widow of the late Robert C. Pitman was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Repayment of moneys to States and territories collected under the direct tax levied by the United States in 1861.

A message from the Governor transmitting an act of Congress relative to repaying to States and territories all moneys collected under the direct tax levied by act of Congress Aug. 5, 1861, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Reports of Committees.

Education, — school tax.

By Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, from the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the Governor's address relating to education as refers to the equalization of the burdens imposed upon the people for school purposes, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Taxation. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Hyde Park Women's Christian Temperance Union, in aid of an order relative to amending chapter 72 of the Acts of the year 1886, concerning the sale and gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gillett.

Sale or gift of tobacco to minors.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the preferment of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors in the appointments to civil office ought not to pass, for the reason that the legislation asked for is already embodied in chapter 473 of the Acts of the year 1889. Read, and on motion of Mr. Salter, the rule was suspended, and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Preferment of soldiers and sailors in appointments to civil office.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of George H. Brown and others, for a law to authorize owners to arrest trespassers upon their property. (Messrs. Gillett of Springfield and Wier of Lowell, dissenting.)

Trespassers.

By Mr. Presko of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the number and term of office of the trustees of the Boston Public Library, and providing a salary for the president of the board.

City of Boston, — Public Library.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of establishing an independent school of medicine.

Independent school of medicine.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Francis A. Walker and others, in furtherance of the recommendation of the Treasurer, transmitted to the Legislature by the Governor, relating to a sum of money received from the United States, now in the treasury, for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

Agriculture and the mechanic arts.

By Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, from the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing for a more thorough inspection of foreign life insurance companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Inspection of foreign life insurance companies.

By Mr. Weir of Lowell, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Herbert H.

Pawnbrokers and collateral loan companies.

Taylor and others for the repeal of all laws governing pawnbrokers and collateral loan companies, and for the establishment of public loan offices by cities and towns.

Bridget Smith.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Bridget Smith for State aid.

Inspections of milk and milk cans.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the inspection of milk and milk cans, and a petition in aid of the same.

Practice of pharmacy.

By Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to permitting graduates of technical schools and colleges with the degrees of B.S., A.M., or Ph.D., to practice pharmacy without further examination.

Tenure of office of the District Police.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 103 of the Public Statutes, so that the members of the District Police shall hold office during good behavior.

Rate of fare on railroads.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to make single trip tickets the same price as coupon tickets on all railroads.

Trees.

By Mr. Monk of Brockton, from the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the defacement of trees and defilement of the public highways.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

William G. Reed.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of William G. Reed as a justice of the peace.

Nathan D. Pratt.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of Nathan D. Pratt as a justice of the peace.

Benjamin F. Brown.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of Benjamin F. Brown as a justice of the peace.

Corporations, — hydrostatic pressure for mechanical power.

By Mr. Child of Swanzey, from the committee on Manufactures, on an order, a Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow the formation of corporations for the purpose of generating and furnishing hydrostatic pressure for mechanical power.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill granting an extension of time to the Charles River Embankment Company.

Charles River
Embankment
Company.

By Mr. Lord of Athol, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Congregational Society of Amesbury and Salisbury Mills Village.

Congregational
Society of
Amesbury and
Salisbury Mills
Village.

By Mr. Bliss of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Suburban Railroad Company.

Suburban
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition, a Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment.

Assessor of
taxes, — oaths
to persons
bringing in
lists of property
for assessment.

By Mr. Smith of Mansfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to incorporate the North Easton Water Company.

North Easton
Water Com-
pany.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve relative to printing an edition of the atlas maps of Massachusetts, as prepared and engraved by the Geological Survey, ought to pass.

Geological
Survey, — atlas
maps of Massa-
chusetts.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ought to pass.

New England
Industrial
School for
Deaf Mutes.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Jeremiah J. Scannell ought to pass.

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By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Mary E. Perkins ought to pass.

Mary E.
Perkins.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Parker ought to pass.

Joseph A.
Parker.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Resolve providing for the payment of a street betterment assessment upon property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester.

City of
Worcester, —
assessment upon
property of the
Commonwealth.

By Mr. Turner of Middleborough, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill amending an act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions.

Settlement of
pension claims.

Town of
Scituate, —
bounties to cer-
tain veterans.

By Mr. Prouty of Scituate, from the same committee, on petitions, a Resolve in favor of certain unpaid veterans of the town of Scituate.

Waldo F.
Miles.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Waldo F. Miles.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

State normal
school at West-
field.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) providing for the sale of certain portions of the lot of land upon which a new State normal school building is being erected in Westfield, and for other purposes, ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Entertainment
of State, county,
city and town
officials by cor-
porations and
individuals.

On motions of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House postponed until December 1 the report of the joint committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the enactment of such laws or the making of such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county, city or town officials, or by the Legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 25, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Entertainment
of members of
the General
Court by per-
sons and cor-
porations.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House postponed until December 1 the Bill to prevent the entertainment of members of the General Court by persons and corporations interested in certain legislation was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 25, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Wild fowl.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John S. Nicholson and others for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15 was

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Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to require railroad corporations increasing their capital stock to sell the new shares at public auction, which motion was lost by a vote of 74 to 68, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

Sale of capital stock of railroad corporations at public auction.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, the Bill codifying and amending the laws relating to the alewife fishery in Herring River, in the town of Bourne, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Town of Bourne, — alewife fisheries in Herring River.

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George E. Stickney, — safe deposit and trust company in Newburyport.

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Exemption from taxation of houses of

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Hours of labor
for railroad
employees.

On motion of Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, the Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Labor.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for licensing conductors, drivers and dispatchers of street railway cars in the city of Salem ;

Concerning lists of jurors in the counties of Nantucket and Dukes County ; and

To change the name of the Great Head Yacht Club ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To further amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings, so as to provide for the assessment of damages in case of the discontinuance of a public way ;

To amend an act for the better protection of lobsters ;

To prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving ; and

To increase the number of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Lynn ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Joshua C. Robbins (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

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day.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation offering a bounty for the destruction of hawks and other predatory birds ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 84 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to furnishing ballot-boxes at the expense of the Commonwealth, so as to provide for furnishing and using more than one such box in certain towns ;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending the laws relating to taxation so as to provide how notices, summons and demands may be served ;

On an order relative to legislation to make the tax upon personal property a State tax instead of a local tax, and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of such taxes in cities and towns of the Commonwealth ; and

On an order relative to legislation to provide that all taxes on personal property shall be collected by the State, and that all returns now required to be made to the local assessors shall be made to the proper State officer ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Samuel W. Mendum and others, for the collection of all taxes by a single tax upon land ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend chapter 81 of the Public Statutes relating to the promotion of anatomical science ;

To amend an act relating to the sales of goods, wares and merchandise taken into a city or town to be sold by auction ;

To incorporate the Mattapan Deposit and Trust Company ;

To exempt the town of Harwich from the expense of rebuilding and maintaining the Bass River upper and lower bridges in the county of Barnstable ;

In relation to diplomas granted to graduates of the State normal schools in this Commonwealth ;

Providing for the withdrawal of names of candidates for town offices ; and

To establish the salary of the sheriff for the county of Hampshire ; and

Resolves :

To provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against the Waltham Savings Bank ; and

Providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To permit foreign life insurance companies to transact accident business ;

To amend section 6 of chapter 29 of the Public Statutes relating to municipal indebtedness ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Waltham ; and

To enable the city of Waltham to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its indebtedness ; and

Resolves :

Providing for a new insane asylum and certain repairs and improvements at the State Almshouse ; and

Providing for furniture and machinery at the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of Fanny Ross was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of places licensed in cities and towns for the sale of intoxicating liquor, so that the same shall not exceed one for every 500 of the population, was further considered. Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill regulating the number of liquor licenses." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden. On the question on the substitution of the bill the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, and the roll being called, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 52 yeas to 129 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brophy, James L.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, Timothy
 Hurley, John T.

Messrs. Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parker, James O.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Shaw, Ebenezer
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tilton, Frank B.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brown, George H.
 Butler, William M.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.

Messrs. Clark, Louis M.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Handley, Aaron C.

Messrs. Harding, N. Frank	Messrs. Olmstead, James M.
Harriman, Charles H.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hartshorn, James A.	Penney, Alonzo
Hemenway, Augustus	Perkins, George W.
Henderson, Charles W.	Plummer, John M.
Herrod, Edward E.	Pomeroy, John P.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Pratt, Amasa
Hinds, John F.	Presbo, Edward W.
Hodges, William D.	Quincy, Josiah
Horton, Everett S.	Read, Franklin F.
Howe, Archibald M.	Reid, James
Howe, S. Augustus	Rice, William H.
Hunting, Amos	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Salter, John J.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Judd, Myron H.	Shaw, Charles F.
Kemp, Parker J.	Smith, Charles S.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Sohier, William D.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Kimball, John W.	Sprague, Charles F.
Kirby, Albert C.	Stearns, William H.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Stevens, William S.
Knowlton, George K.	Swallow, George N.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Lakin, James A.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Lane, Hiram B.	Tilden, Charles A.
Lane, Howard G.	Tucker, George F.
Langdon, Henry W.	Turner, Charles W.
Lawrence, William B.	Turner, Henry E.
Leslie, Horace G.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Lewis, James A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Longley, Henry C.	Warren, Bentley W.
Lord, Lucien	Waterman, Eben C.
Loud, John C.	Weston, Thomas
Marston, Dudley J.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	White, Franklin B.
McFethries, John	Whitney, Edwin
McLean, Isaac	Wier, Fred N.
Meade, William E.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Monk, Hiram A.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Moore, Charles	Wilson, William Power
Murray, Michael J.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Newell, Charles B.	Worcester, Charles F.
Oakes, William H.	

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac*
 Mooney, William L.*
 Quinn, Patrick J.*
 Mitchell, Michael J.*
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 McEttrick, Michael J.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Emery, S. Hopkins
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Gould, David E.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.*
 Clarke, George E.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation restricting innholders' license fees to \$800; also restricting the fees for first-class licenses to \$500; and also changing the law limiting the number of licenses, so that one license may be granted for each 500 inhabitants, was further considered. On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, it was voted that debate on this question be closed at twenty-five minutes before four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the minimum fees for liquor licenses, so as to reduce the amount to be paid for such licenses, was further considered. Mr. Moreau of Spencer moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to make the minimum fee for first-class licenses the sum of five hundred dollars." After debate the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the watering of streets in cities was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend in section 4, line 10, by inserting after the word "and" the words "unless previously paid;" also in line 10 of the same section by inserting after the word "next" the words "tax bill issued for an;" also by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 5, as follows: "Sect. 5. Any city, the population of which does

not exceed thirty thousand, which shall adopt the provisions of this section, in lieu of the provisions of the preceding sections, by vote of its city council, may annually appropriate and expend money for watering its public streets, and may provide that the board of aldermen, or any municipal board or committee, charged with the expenditure of the appropriation, may assess upon the estates abutting upon any or all of the streets so watered the whole or a portion of the cost of such watering; and the amount of such assessments upon each estate, unless previously paid, shall be certified by such board or committee to the assessors of the city, who shall include the same in the next tax bill issued for an annual tax on such estate; and the same shall be a lien upon such estate and shall be considered as constituting a part of, and shall be levied, collected and paid, or abated, in the same manner as the city taxes on real estate." The same gentleman also moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 6, as follows: "*Sect. 6.* Chapter three hundred and sixty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety is hereby repealed."

After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas N. Hart, mayor of the city of Boston, for the passage of an act authorizing the payment of a suitable salary to the members of the common council of said city, was, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, laid on the table by a vote of 72 to 41.

The Bill to limit the proportion of the land of any city or town which can be purchased or held exempt from taxation was read a second time and considered. After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Bill of Paxton, and the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 40 to 65.

On motion of Mr. Weston of Hingham, at nine minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 20, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

A petition, presented by Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, of B. H. Blaney and others, in aid of the petition for a law permitting cities and towns to manufacture and furnish gas and electricity, was referred to the committee on Manufactures, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Manufacture of
gas and elec-
tricity by cities
and towns.

A petition, presented by Mr. Flood of North Adams, of the county commissioners of Berkshire County, for an act requiring the examination of reservoirs and dams, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Berkshire
County,—ex-
amination of
reservoirs and
dams.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Ensign of Watertown :—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law for the conferring upon town clerks the duties of moderator in relation to the recounting of ballots cast at town meetings, as provided by the Acts and Resolves of 1890, chapter 423, section 226, in the event of the death, absence or incapacity of the moderator of such meeting, —

Town meetings
— duties of
town clerks.

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The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered :—

Committee on
redistricting
the State into
congressional
districts.

Ordered, That the committee on Reapportionment consider the expediency of procuring maps of the States of Arkansas, Alabama and Illinois, showing their last apportionment of congressional districts, to be used as a guide by this Legislature in redistricting this Commonwealth in a symmetrical and non-partisan manner.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by inserting after the word "Illinois," the words "also a map of the last legislative redistricting of this Commonwealth." After debate the amendment was rejected, and the order was then rejected.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule:—

Sale of un-
wholesome
meats, fish,
vegetables,
produce, fruit
or provisions.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 58 of the Public Statutes by inserting in line 5, after the word "whatever," the words "or the veal of a calf killed under four weeks old," so that the section shall read: "Whoever knowingly sells or offers or exposes for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell for food any diseased animal, or any tainted, diseased, corrupted, decayed or unwholesome meats, fish, vegetables, produce, fruit or provisions of any kind whatever, or the veal of a calf killed under four weeks old, shall be punished by imprisonment," etc.

The following order was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Dewey of Boston, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule:—

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 208 of the Public Statutes by striking out in the first line, after the word "whoever," the word "knowingly," so that the section shall read: "*Section 1.* Whoever sells any kind of diseased, corrupted or unwholesome provisions," etc. Also that the committee consider the expediency of amending section 2 of the same chapter by striking out in the second line, after the word "or," the word "knowingly," so that the section shall read: "*Section 2.* Whoever kills or causes to be killed, for the

purpose of sale, any calf less than four weeks old, or sells, or has in his possession with intent to sell," etc.

A Bill to authorize the Newton Street Railway Company to extend its railway and increase its capital stock (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Newton Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House petitions had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused, in each case, to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule:—

Petition of the school committee of the city of Boston, that its superintendent and supervisors may be elected in June instead of in March; and

City of Boston,
—election of
superintendent
and supervisors
by the school
committee.

Petition of M. J. Bishop and others, that the laws relating to Sunday work may be amended so as to secure for bakers one day of rest out of seven.

Bakers,—Sun-
day work.

A petition of Alanson Joseph Abbe and 968 other physicians, members of the Massachusetts State Medical Society, for legislation to protect the public against danger from articles of domestic use containing arsenic, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

Use of articles
containing
arsenic.

The House petition of the city solicitor of New Bedford, for such legislation as will confirm the acceptance by said city of chapter 319 of the Acts of 1890, relative to the tenure of office of the police force in certain cities, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

City of New
Bedford,—
tenure of office
of police
officers.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Herrod of Brockton, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing section 1 of chapter 396 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions," so far as it provides for a salary of \$2,000 per year to the State Pension Agent, and for providing for the time and manner of payment for services rendered by the State Pension Agent. Read, and on motion of Mr. Herrod, the rule was suspended, and the report was laid on the table.

State Pension
Agent.

By Mr. Prescho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that persons appointed as first assist-

Civil service,—
appointments
of assistants or
deputies in the

departments of
the city of
Boston.

Constitutional
amendment, —
contested
elections.

Industrial
training in the
public schools.

Board of regis-
trars of voters
in the city of
Boston.

Weekly pay-
ment of wages.

Poll-tax, — ex-
emption of cer-
tain persons
from the pay-
ment of.

Town of Wake-
field, — town
meeting.

Sureties on
bonds of
trustees.

Constitutional
amendment, —
quorum of the
Senate and
House of Rep-
resentatives.

Weekly pay-
ment of wages.

ants or deputies of departments of the city of Boston be exempted from the civil service acts.

By Mr. Day of Boston, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the Constitution so as to allow the decision of contested elections to be vested in the courts.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to conferring upon school committees authority to introduce industrial training into the public schools when deemed expedient.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all the duties now performed by the city clerk of the city of Boston, relating to the conduct of elections, be transferred to and performed by the board of registrars of voters of the city of Boston.

By Mr. Pomeroy of Great Barrington, from the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on orders relative to the weekly payment of employees in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

By Mr. Kelly of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to exempt all persons over seventy-two years of age from paying a poll-tax when the assessed valuation of their property does not exceed \$2,000.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Wakefield, held on the second day of March of the present year.

By Mr. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes, in regard to sureties on bonds of trustees.

By Mr. Howe of Cambridge, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on a Resolve (taken from the files of last year) and on petitions, a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court. (Messrs. Wheaton of Worcester and Day of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Atkins of Plainfield, from the committee on

Labor, on an order, a Bill to amend the law relating to the weekly payment of wages.

By Mr. Whitney of North Attleborough, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill relative to appointments on the Governor's staff.

By Mr. Boodey of Wayland, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Bill to amend section 79 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preservation of the public health.

By Mr. Keyes of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth.

By Mr. McFethries of Springfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the first district of the town of Dalton to issue additional bonds.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Resolve concerning the defence of proceedings for damages under chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1889.

By Mr. Handley of Acton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent, a Resolve providing for printing the third annual report of the State Pension Agent.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to limit the proportion of the land of any city or town which can be purchased or held exempt from taxation, which motion was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the Bill relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by the clerks of courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Intoxicating
liquors, — inn-
holders and
common victual-
lers.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to others than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Inspection of
public buildings
and school-
houses by
boards of
health.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill to transfer the inspection of public buildings and school-houses from the district police to the local boards of health was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Sale of capital
stock of railroad
corporations at
public auction.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the Bill to require railroad corporations increasing their capital stock to sell the new shares at public auction was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Trespass.

On motions of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George H. Brown, for a law to authorize owners to arrest trespassers upon their property, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Inspection of
milk and milk
cans.

On motions of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the inspection of milk and milk cans, and a petition in aid of the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

Charles River
Embankment
Company.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill granting an extension of time to the Charles River Embankment

Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Boston Society of Natural History to hold additional real and personal estate ; Bills enacted.

To prevent the taking of blue-fish with nets or seines in a portion of the waters of Wellfleet Bay in the town of Wellfleet ;

Relative to the filing of certificates by agricultural societies claiming bounties ;

To authorize cities to make ordinances to govern the sale of prepared wood, slabs and edgings when sold by the load ; and

To incorporate the Fall River Loan and Trust Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the town of Ayer (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the number and term of office of the trustees of the Boston Public Library, and providing a salary for the president of the board ; Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of establishing an independent school of medicine ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Francis A. Walker and others, in furtherance of the recommendation of the treasurer, transmitted to the Legislature by the Governor, relating to a sum of money received from the United States, now

in the treasury, for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts ;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for a more thorough inspection of foreign life insurance companies doing business in this Commonwealth ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Herbert H. Taylor and others, for the repeal of all laws governing pawnbrokers and collateral loan companies, and for the establishment of public loan offices by cities and towns ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Bridget Smith for State aid ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to permitting graduates of technical schools and colleges with the degrees of B.S., A.M. or Ph.D. to practise pharmacy without further examination ;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 103 of the Public Statutes, so that the members of the district police shall hold office during good behavior ;

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to make single trip tickets the same price as coupon tickets on all railroads ; and

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the defacement of trees and defilement of the public highways ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Davis and others, for legislation requiring railroad companies to keep their grade crossings covered with snow so as to be passable for sleighs during the period of sleighing, and requiring cities and towns to keep their highways in good condition for sleighing, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar*, or gypsy moth ;

Relating to the distribution of the school fund ;

To enable cities and towns to lease quarters in their public buildings to veteran firemen's associations ;

To change the name of the Congregational Society of Amesbury and Salisbury Mills Village ;

To amend section 11 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow the formation of corporations for the purpose of generating and furnishing hydrostatic pressure for mechanical power;

To amend an act to incorporate the North Easton Water Company;

To authorize beneficiary associations to return to members certain additions to death funds; and

To give towns jurisdiction over highways and county bridges; and

Resolves:

To confirm the acts of William G. Reed as a justice of the peace;

To confirm the acts of Nathan D. Pratt as a justice of the peace;

To confirm the acts of Benjamin F. Brown as a justice of the peace;

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes;

In favor of Jeremiah J. Scannell;

In favor of Mary E. Perkins; and

In favor of Joseph A. Parker;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against the Waltham Savings Bank was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Dorchester Historical Society was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out in lines 1, 2 and 3 of section 3 the words "and be subject to the provisions of sections seven and twelve," and inserting in place thereof the words "specified in section seven." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Fixing the penalty for the taking or killing of woodcock, grouse, quail and duck within certain periods;

To confirm the acts and proceedings of the Everett Congregational Society;

To incorporate the Mattapan Deposit and Trust Company;

To exempt the town of Harwich from the expense of rebuilding and maintaining the Bass River upper and lower bridges in the county of Barnstable ;

To amend an act relating to sales of goods, wares and merchandise taken into a city or town to be sold by auction ;

Providing for the withdrawal of names of candidates for town offices ; and

To establish the salary of the sheriff for the county of Hampshire ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the recovery of damages for personal injuries caused by dogs was read a second time and considered. Mr. White of Worcester moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 4, as follows : "*Section 4* Dogs owned by persons exempt from damage under this act shall be exempt from taxation." Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 5, as follows : "*Section 5.* All provisions of law authorizing a forfeit or recovery to any persons injured by a dog double the amount of the damage sustained are hereby repealed so that only the amount of the actual damage shall be so forfeited or recovered." After debate, Mr. Wright of Duxbury moved that the bill and pending amendments be postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, pending which motion, —

At half-past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 23, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor. On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, the reading thereof was dispensed with, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the message was laid on the table and ordered to be printed : —

Message from
the Governor,—
State Prison.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, March 23, 1891.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

There has existed at the State Prison for some time a condition of affairs that is unsatisfactory and demands your attention. During the past year there has been insubordination, even to the point of riot and rebellion, amongst the prisoners ; a lack of harmony between the Warden and some of the subordinate officers, which is subversive of proper prison discipline, and disagreement between the Warden and the Prison Commissioners. Public opinion has been aroused by the repeated insubordination of the prisoners and their frequent escapes, by the finding of keys, saws and other implements, and, in one instance, of fire-arms in their possession, and by other acts which seem to show negligence at least on the part of some officers in control.

I have made sufficient investigation of these matters to convince me that our system of prison management and control is largely at fault, and ought to be corrected.

In my judgment there is no institution of the Commonwealth more difficult to manage well than the State Prison. This requires not only good officials but a proper system. Such system, as its first requisite, should give ample power to those in control, concentrate responsibility upon them, and make them answerable for its discharge to a proper authority over them. Our present system fails in this respect. It divides the management of the prison amongst various officials not properly subordinate one to the other. It gives them important duties,

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but so limits their powers as to impede them in the discharge of these duties; and so distributes responsibility as to make no one properly responsible.

The Warden, who is primarily responsible for the management of the prison, has no power to appoint or remove any of his principal subordinate officers, except subject to the approval of the Prison Commissioners. In case of a disagreement with them over a removal, he has a right of appeal to the Governor and Council. So that in the selection and control of a force that ought to be under the strictest discipline, at least two and perhaps three different sets of officials may have a hand, and may come to conflict.

The Prison Commissioners, the board in control of the State Prison, have no power whatever over the Warden, either in his appointment or removal; nor over any of his officers, except as a check upon his action.

The Governor, who appoints the Warden with the consent of the Council, and can remove him at his pleasure, has nothing to do with the management of the prison, and no real power over the Board of Commissioners except occasionally to appoint a member.

In addition to these various officials in charge of the State Prison, in 1887 there was created by statute an official known as the Superintendent of Prisons, whose duty is "to establish and maintain in the State Prison, reformatories and the houses of correction in the Commonwealth such industries as may, from time to time, be determined upon by him *and the warden, superintendent or master.*" He, "or the warden or master under his supervision," is to purchase the material used and to sell the manufactured goods. He holds his office "at the discretion of the Governor," and has no power over nor connection with the Board of Prison Commissioners, nor have they over or with him. His duty seems to require the co-operation and assistance of the warden or master; and costs the State in his salary, \$3,500; clerical assistance, \$1,000; travelling expenses, \$500; incidentals and rent, \$1,500; in all, \$6,500 a year. In my judgment this office, with its present very limited duties, is unnecessary and should be abolished. These duties can be and should be performed by the various boards in charge of the respective institutions or by the heads of such institutions under the direction of said boards. In New York, where such office exists it supplanted the board in charge of the prisons, and that official was given "the superintendence, management and control of all State prisons," with power to appoint "all agents, wardens, physicians and chaplains of the prisons," and with "all the powers" and "all the duties" of said board. Practically, he has charge of the whole prison system, and is subject to removal at any time by the governor for cause. Such a system gives responsible control and management, by providing ample power where duty is imposed, and proper and undivided authority over

subordinate officials. While the systems in other important States differ greatly, I have been unable to find in any of them such anomalous condition as exists here, but in all there is far greater responsibility in prison management. In Illinois the commissioners have full control of the appointment and removal of the warden and principal officers, and are themselves subject to removal by the governor at his discretion. In Pennsylvania the commissioners (called inspectors) appoint semi-annually the wardens, physicians and clerks, and the wardens appoint and dismiss their subordinate officers in their discretion. In Ohio the commissioners are subject to removal at the discretion of the governor; they have full power over the warden, and he has power to remove his subordinate officers for cause, though he appoints them subject to the consent of the commissioners.

In New Hampshire there are no prison commissioners. The governor and council appoint the warden and all the officers of the prison, and have general control of it.

In my judgment a more efficient, responsible, and satisfactory prison management can be obtained by making certain changes in our present system, if it is deemed wise to continue the control of our prisons by a board of commissioners. I submit, therefore, for your consideration the following recommendations:—

1. That the office of Superintendent of Prisons be abolished, and its duties and powers transferred to the respective boards in charge of the institutions with which he is connected, or to the heads of such institutions under the supervision of such boards.

2. That the Warden of the State Prison be given full power to appoint, and remove for cause stated, his subordinate officers.

3. That the Board of Prison Commissioners be given full power to appoint, and remove for cause stated, the warden, chaplain, and physician and surgeon of the prison.

4. That Governor be given full power to remove for cause stated any member of the Board of Prison Commissioners.

These suggestions, if adopted, in my judgment will establish a system of prison management which gives to each official the power proper and necessary for the discharge of his duty, and concentrates responsibility where it properly belongs. Under such a system, if there is lack of discipline, insubordination or mismanagement at the prison, the subordinate officers are answerable for it to the Warden, who has the power and responsibility of correcting the trouble. For the proper exercise of his power the Warden is answerable to the Prison Commissioners, they to the Governor, and the Governor to the people of the Commonwealth.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

Introduced on Leave.

Towns, —
school super-
intendents.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, a Bill in addition to an act to aid small towns to supply themselves with school superintendents. The bill was read. The committee on Rules reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Appleton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Use of nets in
the waters of
Fairhaven.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Gammons of Rochester, of the Southern Massachusetts Fish and Game League; of Alden Besse and others; and of John W. Delano and others, — severally, in aid of the order for an amendment of the law so as to prevent set nets or gill nets from being used in the waters of Fairhaven.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

City of Gloucester, — 250th
anniversary.

A petition, presented by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, of the mayor and aldermen of Gloucester, that said city may be authorized to raise by taxation a sum not exceeding \$5,000 for a proper observance of its 250th anniversary, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Lane, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill : —

Ordered, That the Attorney-General be requested to give his opinion to the House of Representatives in writing upon the questions of law herewith submitted to him : —

1. Can a voter legally "insert" or "fill in," in the space left at the end of the list of candidates on the official ballot, the

name of the candidate for whom he would vote by means of pasting thereon a printed slip bearing the name of such candidate and making the X mark in the space to the right of such name so pasted on said official ballot, and should such ballot be counted for the candidate whose printed name is thus pasted on?

2. At a special election for representative to the General Court, where the official ballot bears only one name and some official ballots are cast bearing such name and none other, but without any X or other mark on such ballot, can the ballot so cast be counted for such candidate?

3. At a special election for representative to the General Court, where the official ballot bore only the name of one candidate and the printed name of another candidate had been pasted in the blank space left at the end of the list of candidates, but without an X mark or other mark in the space at the right of either name, can such ballot be counted for either candidate, and if so, for which?

4. At a special election for representative to the General Court, where the official ballot bears only one name and some ballots are cast bearing such name and none other, and there is no X mark in the proper place, but X marks are made in various other places on the face of the ballot, can such ballots so marked be counted for such candidate? Can they be counted if upon the back or outside of the ballot?

5. At a special election for representative to the General Court, where the official ballot bears only one name and the printed name of another candidate is pasted, not in the space at the end of the list of candidates, but in the space where the name of the regularly nominated candidate is printed on the official ballot, but not covering such name, and the X mark is placed in the space to the right of both names, can such ballots be counted for either candidate, and if so, for which candidate?

6. At a special election for representative to the General Court, where the official ballot bears only one name and the printed name of another candidate is pasted, not in the space at the end of the list of candidates, but over the name of the regularly nominated candidate, with the X mark in the proper space, can such ballot be counted for the candidate whose name is thus affixed to such ballot?

7. At a special election for representative to the General Court, where the official ballot bore only the name of one candidate and the printed name of another candidate is pasted, not in the space at the end of the list of candidates, but in the space wherein the name of the regularly nominated candidate appears, and such name of such regularly nominated candidate has been thereby partially obliterated, but the X mark is in the proper space, can such ballot be counted for either candidate, and if so, for which of the candidates?

8. Is the provision of law with reference to the marking of the ballot by the voter mandatory, and the provision as to "in-

sertion" or "filling in" of the name of any candidate whose name is not upon the official ballot for whom the voter wishes to cast his ballot, in the blank space at the end of the list of candidates, mandatory?

9. Can the House of Representatives or its Election Committee determine the evident intent of the voter from an inspection of the ballot where the strict letter of the law as to affixing or filling in the name or marking the ballot has not been complied with, or must the House of Representatives and its Election Committee be governed by the express terms of the law?

10. Can the House of Representatives or its Election Committee count for any candidate ballots found in the ballot-box and marked "cancelled," even though it appears from the marks upon the said ballots that they have been through the official registering ballot-box?

The following order, offered by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly:—

Committee on
Cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be granted further time to report on matters before them.

The following order, offered by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly:—

Committee on
Insurance.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance be granted further time to report on matters before them.

The following order, offered by Mr. Quinn of Worcester, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly:—

Committee on
Labor.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor be granted until Wednesday, April 8, to report on matters before them.

The following order, offered by Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly:—

Committee on
Water Supply.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted time beyond the fourth Wednesday in March in which to report upon matters referred to them.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule, by a vote of 87 to 22:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 208 of the Public Statutes by striking out in the first line, after the word "whoever," the word "knowingly," so that the section shall read: "*Sect. 1.* Whoever sells any kind of diseased, corrupted or unwholesome provisions," etc. Also that the committee consider the expediency of amending section 2 of the same chapter by striking out in the second line, after the word "or," the word "knowingly," so that the section shall read: "*Sect. 2.* Whoever kills or causes to be killed, for the purpose of sale, any calf less than four weeks old, or sells, or has in his possession with intent to sell," etc.

Sale of un-wholesome meats, fish, vegetables, produce, fruit or provisions.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 58 of the Public Statutes by inserting in line 5, after the word "whatever," the words "or the veal of a calf killed under four weeks old," so that the section shall read: "Whoever knowingly sells or offers or exposes for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell for food, any diseased animal, or any tainted, diseased, corrupted, decayed or unwholesome meats, fish, vegetables, produce, fruit or provisions of any kind whatever, or the veal of a calf killed under four weeks old, shall be punished by imprisonment," etc.

Id.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Chief of the District Police, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

Report of the Chief of District Police.

Reports:

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making all persons who have been insolvent or bankrupt ineligible as trustees of savings banks or directors of trust companies; and

Savings banks, — trust companies.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation

Registration
report,—
divorce.

necessary, on so much of the forty-eighth Registration report as relates to libels for divorce;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Widow of
Francis M.
Vaughan.

A Resolve authorizing the county of Plymouth to pay certain money to the widow of Francis M. Vaughan (being a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
mission.

A Bill to provide for the disposition of certain money received by the Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Commonwealth from the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (reported on the recommendation of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, transmitted by the Governor, relating to adding to the funds appropriated for the use of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission, and on the second annual report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission); and a

Distribution of
the supplement
to the Public
Statutes.

Resolve providing for a further distribution of the supplement to the Public Statutes (reported on orders);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House petitions and order had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused, in each case, to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule:—

Eastern Middle-
sex district
courts.

Petition of John W. Pettengill and others, for the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of officers to attend upon the district courts of eastern Middlesex;

Reserve College
of Physicians
and Surgeons.

Petition of Garrett B. B. Larkey and others, for incorporation as the Reserve College of Physicians and Surgeons; and

City of New
Bedford,—care
of shade trees.

Petition of the city solicitor of New Bedford, for legislation conferring upon the board of public works of said city the care of shade trees.

Worcester
County,—dis-
trict court to
include the
towns of Spen-
cer, Brookfield,
North Brook-
field, West
Brookfield,
Warren and
Oakham.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a district court in the county of Worcester, including within its jurisdiction the towns of Spencer, Brookfield, North Brookfield, West Brookfield, Warren and Oakham.

Also of the rejection by the Senate of the House Bill relating to the tenure of office of police officers in towns. Tenure of office of police officers in towns.

A petition of the German-American Singing Society for authority to hold real estate was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. German-American Singing Society.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Patrick Murphy and others, for a repeal of the laws governing pawnbrokers, and for a law compelling cities and towns to establish public loan offices. Pawnbrokers,—public loan offices.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns of registers of deeds. Abstract of returns of registers of deeds.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Warren.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the returns of sheriffs. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gould. Abstract of returns of sheriffs.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from so much of the abstract report of the Auditor of the Commonwealth as refers to services and salaries in the Auditor's department, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the reference. Auditor of the Commonwealth,—services and salaries in the Auditor's department.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the communication from the Auditor of the Commonwealth transmitting a statement of grants and allowances to sundry institutions made by the Legislature from 1860 to 1890, inclusive. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ladd of Boston. Auditor of the Commonwealth,—grants and allowances to sundry institutions made by the Legislature.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts, for the adoption in the government of cities of the Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate. Read and Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate,—government of cities.

accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Day of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Suffolk County
court-house.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Charles J. Noyes and others for such legislation as will provide for the adjustment of certain claims arising from the construction of the new court-house in Suffolk County.

Liabilities of
cities and towns
for defects in
highways occa-
sioned by snow
and ice.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the liability of cities and towns for defects in highways occasioned by snow and ice. (Mr. Gillett of Springfield, dissenting.)

Lien law,—
monumental
work in
cemeteries.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the Marble Dealers' Association for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work when set up in cemeteries, and sundry petitions in aid of the same.

Procedure in
poor debtor
matters.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law in relation to procedure in poor debtor matters.

Overseers of
Harvard
College.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Archibald M. Howe and others for amendment to the laws in relation to elections at Harvard College.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth,—
marking and
delivery of
ballots.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, no legislation necessary, on the recommendations and suggestions of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, relative to the amendment of sections 16 to 19, inclusive, of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, so as to provide for the correction of mistakes in the marking and delivery of ballots.

Equal repre-
sentation in
election of
selectmen and
aldermen and
councilmen.

By Mr. Rice of Worcester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for such legislation as will permit any town to elect its selectmen and any city its aldermen and councilmen by a system of equal representation, and a petition of the First Nationalist Club in aid of the same.

By Mr. Raftery of Boston, from the same committee, Australian system for caucuses and conventions.
inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to making the present Australian ballot system apply as near as may be practicable to all caucuses and conventions for the nomination of any candidates for town, city or State office, where the same are elected by ballot or otherwise.

By Mr. Lewis of Fairhaven, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to build a bridge from the city proper to East Boston. (Mr. Savage of the Senate, and Messrs. Tibbetts of Lynn, Kelihier of Boston and McNamara of Boston, of the House, dissenting.) Bridge from East Boston to Boston proper.

By Mr. Austin of Taunton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Lafayette Social Athletic Club, for authority to build a boat-house in or on the tide-waters of the Charles River. Lafayette Social Athletic Club.

By Mr. Giles of Somerville, from the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Augustus M. Rice and others, for incorporation as the North American Horse Insurance Company. North American Horse Insurance Company.

By Mr. Waterman of Hanover, from the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to preventing railroad corporations from requiring the men in their employ to work Sundays. Railroad employees, — Sunday work.

By Mr. Dyer of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Harry W. Welch, for aid from the State on account of disabilities received while doing military duty. Harry W. Welch.

By Mr. Mitchell of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for the exemption from the civil service acts of superior officers who need confirmation by the mayor or aldermen. City of Boston, — exemption from the civil service acts of certain officers.

By Mr. Lynch of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 366 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to increase of capital stock of street railways, and such other acts as may give authority to the Board of Railroad Commissioners to authorize the issue of capital stock. Capital stock of street railways.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Charitable
associations.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to associations for charitable and other purposes

City of New
Bedford.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to confirm the proceedings in an election held in the city of New Bedford on the second day of December in the year 1890.

City of Lowell.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Lowell to take land for burial grounds and providing for their management.

Index of probate
records in the
several counties
except Suffolk.

By Mr. Howe of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the several counties, except Suffolk, to arrange and index the probate records in their respective counties.

Appointment of
election officers
in cities.

By Mr. Lane of Gloucester, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill relative to the appointment of election officers in cities.

Corporate
names.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to corporate names.

Lobby, —
legislative
agents and
counsel.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the joint committee on Rules, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the lobby, a Bill to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the employment of legislative counsel and agents, and to provide for returns of legislative expenses.

Employment
of prisoners.

By Mr. Goddard of Orange, from the committee on Prisons, on an order, a Bill to prohibit the employment of prisoners outside their places of confinement.

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

By Mr. Pickering of Salem, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill relating to sentences of prisoners in the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Commissioners
of Prisons, —
State Prison.

By Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill to punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the State Prison.

Commissioners
of Prisons, —
prison expenses.

By Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill to provide for the returns of prison expenses.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part, a Bill to prevent false representations to overseers of the poor and the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

State Board of Lunacy and Charity, — overseers of the poor.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the same committee, on the report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part, a Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 309 of the Acts of the year 1889, concerning the better protection of infants.

State Board of Lunacy and Charity, — protection of infants.

By Mr. Keyes of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to provide a clerk for the first district court of southern Worcester.

Clerk for the first district court of southern Worcester.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to certain officers in attendance upon the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Suffolk ought to pass.

County of Suffolk, — Supreme Judicial Court.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the payment of a street betterment assessment upon property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester ought to pass.

City of Worcester, — assessment upon certain property of the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for furnishing the new cottage, and for additional hospital accommodations at the Lyman School for Boys ought to pass.

Lyman School for Boys.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Waldo F. Miles ought to pass.

Waldo F. Miles.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Bill amending an act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions ought to pass.

Settlement of claims for pensions.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Thomas of Brockton, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Resolve to provide for certain repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Resolve providing for the payment of supervisors who served at the State election in the city of Boston in the year 1889.

City of Boston, — compensation of supervisors at the State election in 1889.

By Mr. Mitchell of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill providing for the compensation of the members of the Legislature.

General Court, — salary of members.

Food and drug
inspection.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on the twenty-first annual report of the State Board of Health, in part, a Bill relating to the annual appropriation for food and drug inspection.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Eliza G.
Lamson.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill concerning the trust estate left by Eliza G. Lamson ought not to pass.

Burleigh Tunnel
Company.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Burleigh Tunnel Company to hold meetings in the State of Colorado ought not to pass.

Inspection of
electric lights
and meters.

By Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, from the committee on Manufactures, that the Senate Bill (taken from the files of last year) providing for the inspection of electric lights and meters ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Taken from the Table.

George E.
Stickney, — safe
deposit and
trust company
in Newbury-
port.

On motions of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George E. Stickney and others, for authority to establish a safe deposit and trust company in Newburyport, was taken from the table, and was recommitted to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the fisheries in the town of Westport ;
To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Somerville ;

Relating to pleadings and practice in the district court of Hampshire ;

To authorize the Civil Service Commissioners to summon witnesses and take testimony ;

To include the month of August in the open season for trout fishing in the county of Hampden ;

To incorporate the Fall River Electric Freight Railway Company ; and

Concerning the support of State poor by cities and towns ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Weymouth Agricultural and Industrial Society ; Resolves passed.

In favor of Robert Ball Edes ; and

In favor of William Emerson ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of Fanny Ross (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that persons appointed as first assistants or deputies of departments of the city of Boston be exempted from the civil service acts ; Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to amend the Constitution so as to allow the decision of contested elections to be vested in the courts ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all the duties now performed by the city clerk of the city of Boston, relating to the conduct of elections, be transferred to and performed by the board of registrars of voters of the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on orders relative to the weekly payment of employees in manufacturing and mechanical establishments ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to exempt all persons over seventy-two years of age from the payment of a poll-tax when the assessed valuation of their property does not exceed \$2,000 ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Wakefield, held on the second day of March of the present year ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth ;

Authorizing the fire district of the town of Dalton to issue additional bonds ;

To amend section 16 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes in regard to sureties on bonds of trustees ;

To amend section 79 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes relating to the preservation of the public health ; and

To revive the powers of, and extend the time for building the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company ; and the

Resolve relative to printing an edition of the atlas maps of Massachusetts as prepared and engraved by the Geological Survey ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend chapter 81 of the Public Statutes relating to the promotion of anatomical science ;

To provide against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar*, or gypsy moth ;

To change the name of the Congregational Society of Amesbury and Salisbury Mills Village ; and

To enable the North Easton village district to issue additional water bonds, notes or scrip (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Resolves :

To confirm the acts of William G. Reed as a justice of the peace ;

To confirm the acts of Nathan D. Pratt as a justice of the peace ; and

To confirm the acts of Benjamin F. Brown as a justice of the peace ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to diplomas granted to graduates of the State normal schools in this Commonwealth ;

To authorize beneficiary associations to return to members certain additions to death funds ; and

To give towns jurisdiction over highways and county bridges ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ;

In favor of Jeremiah J. Scannell ;

In favor of Mary E. Perkins ; and

In favor of Joseph A. Parker ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the recovery of damages for personal injuries caused by dogs, being the unfinished business of Friday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pending motion of Mr. Wright of Duxbury, that the further consideration of the bill and pending amendments be postponed until Tuesday, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. After debate the pending amendment moved by Mr. White of Worcester was rejected. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Kittridge of Boston, as modified by that gentleman, was adopted by a vote of 82 to 18, as follows: Add a new section, to be numbered section 4, to wit: "*Sect. 4.* All provisions of law authorizing a forfeit or recovery to any persons injured by a dog double the amount of the damage sustained are hereby amended, so that only the amount of the actual damage shall be so forfeited or recovered." The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 75 to 56.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting a law which shall require all persons having charge of stationary or portable steam engines or boilers to be licensed by some proper board or authority, was further considered. Mr. Richardson of Winthrop moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide for the licensing of persons in charge of steam-boilers." Mr. Charles of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the order considered by the committee. The Speaker declared the point of order not well taken. After debate the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted.

Point of order.

The Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to other than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging, was further considered, the

question being on its engrossment. Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to enable licensing boards of cities and towns to more fully control and regulate the furniture and fixtures which may be used by persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquor." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston. On the question on the substitution of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Day of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 89 yeas to 96 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Herrod, Edward E.
Appleton, Francis H.	Hevey, Thomas D.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Hinds, John F.
Boodey, Charles H.	Howard, Timothy
Breen, Daniel F.	Hurley, John T.
Bright, Elmer H.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Brophy, James L.	Kelly, Charles A.
Brown, George H.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Buchholz, Herman	Knox, James W.
Buckley, William P.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Burke, James F.	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Cannon, Patrick	Luby, Patrick B.
Cannon, William	Lynch, John B.
Carroll, Michael	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Carter, Richard A.	McAnally, Frank
Chance, Charles J.	McCarthy, Daniel
Charles, Salem D.	McDonald, Peter J.
Coffey, John H.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Curtis, Samuel N.	McKenna, George B.
Davis, Squire S.	McLean, Isaac
Dewey, Henry S.	McLoughlin, John T.
Fallon, J. Otis	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Fallon, Thomas F.	McSolla, Richard F.
Finney, Elkanah	Mellen, James H.
Flood, Nathan B.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Mooney, William L.
Golding, John	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Haggerty, Roger	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Hall, Henry C.	Oakes, William H.
Handley, Aaron C.	O'Brien, John
Heffernan, Edward J.	Parker, James O.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Plummer, John M.
Hemenway, Augustus	Pratt, Amasa

Messrs. Quincy, Josiah
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sprague, Charles F.

Messrs. Stevens, William S.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Swallow, George N.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Butler, William M.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Harding, N. Frank

Messrs. Hartshorn, James A.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Hodges, William D.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 Meade, William E.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Newell, Charles B.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.

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Messrs. Powers, Wilbur H.	Messrs. Tuttle, William H. H.
Richardson, Albert W.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Waterman, Eben C.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Weston, Thomas
Smith, Charles S.	White, Franklin B.
Stearns, William H.	Whitney, Edwin
Taft, Henry G.	Wier, Fred N.
Thomas, Harrison O.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Thurston, Lysander	Wilson, William Power
Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Withington, Nathan N.
Tucker, George F.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

• Yeas, 89 ; Nays, 96.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ellis, Edward C.*	Messrs. Worcester, Charles F.
Rady, Andrew J.*	Rice, William H.
O'Neil, Eugene J.*	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Nutting, Arthur F.*	Emery, S. Hopkins
Ripley, Samuel E.*	Thompson, Edwin D.
Quinn, Patrick J.*	Wheaton, Henry C.
O'Brien, John J.*	Pomeroy, John P.
Presho, Edward W.*	Converse, Morton E.
Ensign, Charles S.*	Clarke, George E.

Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, —

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, at twenty-six minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned by a vote of 89 to 86.

• Present.

TUESDAY, March 24, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and that Mr. Dewey of Boston had been appointed to preside during his absence.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Personal Explanation.

Mr. Bullock of Fall River asked permission to make a personal explanation, and there being no objection he stated that yesterday, when the roll was called on the question of substituting the bill moved by Mr. McEttrick of Boston for the Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to other than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging, instead of voting "no" he should have announced that he was paired with Mr. Hobson of Lowell, who, if present, would have voted in the affirmative.

Personal explanation.

Petitions.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of the selectmen of Paxton, that Addison D. Harrington may be made eligible to receive State or military aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Finney of Plymouth, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Addison D. Harrington.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of the selectmen of Watertown, for authority to issue sewerage bonds to the amount of \$100,000, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Ensign, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition

Town of Watertown,—
sewerage
bonds.

was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, was considered : —

Committee on
Elections.

Ordered, That the committee on Elections be granted further time to report on the matter of the petition of James D. Doherty for the seat in the House of Representatives of the 7th Suffolk District.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words " further time " and inserting in place thereof the words " until April 7." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tibbetts of Lynn, was considered : —

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted further time in which to report on matters before them.

Mr. Sohier moved to amend by striking out the words " further time " and inserting in place thereof the words " until April 7." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, was considered : —

Committee on
Taxation.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be granted further time in which to report upon matters referred to them.

Mr. Sohier moved to amend by striking out the words " further time " and inserting in place thereof the words " until April 7." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Monk of Brockton, was considered : —

Committee on
Towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Towns be granted further time in which to report on matters before them.

Mr. Sohier moved to amend by striking out the words " further time " and inserting in place thereof the words " until April 7." The amendment was

adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The order laid over from yesterday, relative to requesting the opinion of the Attorney-General on certain questions of law in the matter of the petition of James D. Doherty for the seat in the House of Representatives of the 7th Suffolk District, was adopted. Committee on Elections,—
opinion of the
Attorney-General.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be granted further time to report on matters before them. Committee on Cities.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until April 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance be granted further time to report on matters before them. Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Lomasney of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until April 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted time beyond the fourth Wednesday in March in which to report upon matters referred to them. Committee on Water Supply.

Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to amend by striking out the words "time beyond the fourth Wednesday in March" and inserting in place thereof the words "until April 13." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor be granted until Wednesday, April 8, to report on matters before them. Committee on Labor.

Papers from the Senate.

Message from
the Governor,—
reapportion-
ment of con-
gressional
districts.

The report of the joint committee on Rules, to whom was referred the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting an attested copy of an act of Congress entitled "An act making apportionment of representatives in Congress among the several States under the eleventh census," the same having been forwarded by the Secretary of State of the United States, recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on redividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports :

Swiss Referen-
dum Popular
Initiative and
Imperative
Mandate,—
minority rep-
resentation.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for the adoption, in the legislative system of the Commonwealth, of the Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate, and of an equitable method of minority representation; and

City of Boston,
— Old Colony
Railroad Com-
pany.

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William L. Mooney for legislation to compel the Old Colony Railroad Company to elevate a certain portion of their road-bed and tracks within the city of Boston;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Probation offi-
cers.

A Bill to provide for the appointment of probation officers (reported on so much of the messages from the Governor transmitting certain recommendations of the heads of departments as relates to additional legislation to secure the enforcement of the probation law, and on the House Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the appointment of probation officers), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Report of Sta-
tistics of Manu-
factures.

A Bill providing for the printing and distribution of the report of Statistics of Manufactures (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Widow of
S. Augustus
Endicott.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) in favor of the widow of the late S. Augustus Endicott was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Ebenezer Baker and others, a committee of the town of Billerica, that said town be authorized to accept the Howe School as a high school. To the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of Billerica,—high school.

Petition of E. S. Whitmarsh and another, that the town of East Bridgewater may be authorized to pay a bounty to Horace A. Ripley and others. To the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of East Bridgewater,—bounty to Horace A. Ripley and others.

The following petitions severally came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, in each case, and the petitions were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly :—

Petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn, for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to provide for the appointment of a board of sewerage commissioners to consist of three members ;

City of Woburn,—board of sewerage commissioners.

Petition of P. H. Nourse and others of Saugus, that said town be authorized to appropriate \$800 to defray the expense of dedicating its soldiers' monument ; and

Town of Saugus,—soldiers' monument.

Petition of the selectmen of the town of Belchertown, for legislation legalizing the proceedings of the town meetings of said town held March 2 and March 16, 1891.

Town of Belchertown,—town meetings.

The following House petitions severally came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule :—

Petition of Arthur H. Gardner, on the part of the town of Nantucket, for legislation legalizing the election of officers of said town, chosen at the last annual town meeting ; and

Town of Nantucket,—town meeting.

Petition of the selectmen of the town of Clinton, that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town in 1891 may be ratified and confirmed.

Town of Clinton,—town meeting.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks be recommitted to the committee on Public Service. Read and accepted, and the bill was recommitted.

Salary of the second clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Number of registered voters at the State, city and town elections of 1890.

By Mr. Raftery of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, no legislation necessary, on the number of assessed polls, registered voters and persons who voted in each voting precinct in the Commonwealth at the State, city and town elections in the year 1890. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of trustees of State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 37th annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the 12th annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, and sent up for concurrence.

American Loan and Trust Company, — administration of estates of deceased persons.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the American Loan and Trust Company, for an amendment of chapter 413 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to allow said company to administer estates of deceased persons. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens, and sent up for concurrence.

Trials of speed of horses.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order prescribing the terms under which trials of speed of horses may take place, that the subject-matter has been considered and reported upon adversely by the committee on Agriculture, and the report has been accepted by the House, and that under House Rule 48 the committee on the Judiciary can introduce no measure based upon this order.

Foreign corporations.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to extend the jurisdiction of the courts over foreign corporations doing business in this Commonwealth.

Tax sales on the island of Nantucket.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to tax sales of certain lands on the island of Nantucket.

Police, district and municipal courts, — trustee writs.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the service of trustee writs issuing from police, district or municipal courts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Jurors. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the clerks of courts to prepare a list of jurors in attendance for examination of parties in counsel, such list to state the name, residence and occupation of each juror.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the same committee, Size of plans left for record in the registries of deeds. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the size of plans left for record in the registries of deeds.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, Attachments on real estate. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the time for which attachments on real estate shall be a lien thereon, and of providing for the dissolution of existing attachments thereon.

By Mr. Howe of Cambridge, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. G. Adams and others, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, and sundry petitions in aid of the same. (Messrs. Day of Boston, Lomasney of Boston, McLoughlin of Milford, Judd of South Hadley and Buchholz of Springfield, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the committee on Education, Towns, — examination of teachers. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the examination of teachers employed in the schools in the towns of this Commonwealth before the State Board of Education or agents thereof.

By Mr. Lane of Gloucester, from the committee on Election Laws, Elections, — recounts of votes. inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending sections 104, 105, 106 and 108 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, so as to allow city and town clerks in case of recounts of ballots cast at any election fifteen days instead of ten in which to transmit copies of votes; also to make more certain the time within which requests for recounts must be filed, and to further restrict the right to demand recounts.

By Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, — fish and game laws. reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in addition to the powers conferred upon the Commissioners of Fisheries and Game by section 3 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, said commissioners and their deputies be authorized to arrest on sight persons violating the fish and game laws of the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Shaw of New Bedford, from the committee on Labor, Wages of State, city and town employees. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

legislation to increase at least ten per cent. the wages now paid State, city and town employees who are classified as laborers, and that such amounts with the above increase be paid to all employees now or hereafter engaged in and by the State, cities and towns as laborers.

Intoxicating
liquors, — pro-
hibitory law.

By Mr. Hunting of East Bridgewater, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enacting a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor.

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
of, in no-license
towns.

By Mr. Hurley of Fall River, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the sale or distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquors are not granted.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
granting of
licenses to
women.

By Mr. Bingham of Manchester, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union for such legislation as will prohibit the granting of licenses to women for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
sale to women.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of Boston for such legislation as will prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors to women.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
brewers.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that brewers shall not sell malt liquors in quantities less than one-fourth barrel.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
minors loitering
about saloons.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to prohibiting persons who are minors from loitering upon premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

Allowances to
cities and towns
for the payment
of State aid.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to granting allowances to city and town officers for expenses attending the payment of State aid.

Id.

By Mr. Herrod of Brockton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newburyport for an amendment of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1889, so that the expenses attending the payment of State aid in cities and towns shall be paid by the Commonwealth.

Railroads, —
brakemen on
freight trains.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the number of brakemen on freight trains.

By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Eugene H. Clapp and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in the town of Marshfield.

Railroad from
Weymouth to
Marshfield.

By Mr. White of Worcester, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to report all accidents to the board of aldermen of the city or the selectmen of the town where such accidents occur.

Street railway
companies, —
reports of acci-
dents.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to tax mercantile agencies and especially foreign agencies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Taxation of
mercantile
agencies.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to exceptions and appeals in criminal cases.

Appeals in
criminal cases.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to rights of joint owners in personal property.

Rights of joint
owners in per-
sonal property.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to fines in criminal cases.

Fines in
criminal cases.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill authorizing the probate court to order parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship.

Support of
minor children
under guardian-
ship.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the conveyance of real estate in cases of disseisin.

Conveyance of
real estate in
cases of
disseisin.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill providing for the payment to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of fines collected in all cases of prosecution by said society ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Massachusetts
Society for the
Prevention of
Cruelty to
Animals.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to amend chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Quincy."

City of Quincy.

Fisheries in the
Weweantit
River.

By Mr. Gammons of Rochester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order, a Bill to amend an act relating to the fisheries in the Weweantit River.

Newburyport
bridge.

By Mr. Kirby of Westport, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the rebuilding and extension of the draw-fender pier of the Newburyport bridge, between the city of Newburyport and the town of Salisbury.

"Order of
Nine Hundred
Dollars."

By Mr. Giles of Somerville, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to authorize the "Order of Nine Hundred Dollars" to change its corporate name.

Security Live
Stock Insurance
Company.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Security Live Stock Insurance Company.

Dividends of
fire and marine
companies.

By Mr. Lomasney of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend an act relating to declarations of dividends of fire, marine, and fire and marine stock companies.

Railroad Com-
missioners, —
pensioning
railroad em-
ployees.

By Mr. Waterman of Hanover, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Resolve authorizing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to make inquiry into the subject of pensioning railroad employees injured in the discharge of their duty.

Employment of
minors.

By Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language.

Hours of labor
for railroad em-
ployees.

By Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, from the same committee, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Practice of
medicine.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Bill to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of practitioners.

Neglected
children.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order, a Bill to amend section 19 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, relating to the care and education of neglected children.

"Zone system"
of passenger
fares.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Resolve to provide for an investigation of the "Zone System" of railroad passenger fares.

Town of Pea-
body.

By Mr. Penney of Lynn, from the committee on Towns,

on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to provide for the apportionment of the expense of constructing a certain highway in the city of Salem and town of Peabody.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide for certain expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill to provide for the reimbursement to cities and towns of part of the expense of school text-books and supplies.

Cities and
towns,—
expense of
school text-
books and sup-
plies.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill providing for the printing and distribution of specimen ballots at public expense at State and city elections.

Elections,—
specimen bal-
lots.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to provide a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes.

Uniform system
of counting and
canvassing
votes.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting certain communications relative to the dedication of the Bennington Battle Monument, and on an order, a Resolve relative to the celebration of the Bennington Battle Monument at Bennington, Vermont, August 16 in the year 1891.

Dedication of
the Bennington
Battle Monu-
ment at
Bennington, Vt.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

On motions of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the votes whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the two orders relative to the sale of unwholesome meats, fish, vegetables, produce, fruit or provisions, were severally reconsidered. The question recurring on the suspension of the rule, in concurrence, it was suspended in each case, and the orders were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Sale of un-
wholesome
meats, fish,
vegetables,
produce, fruit
or provisions.

Intoxicating
liquors, — Inn-
holders and
common victual-
lers, — public
bars.

Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to substitute the "Bill to enable licensing boards of cities and towns to more fully control and regulate the furniture and fixtures which may be used by persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquor" for the "Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to others than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging." On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Day of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 103 yeas to 112 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen

Barrett, Harry H.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Boodey, Charles H.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, George H.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Davis, Squire S.
Dewey, Henry S.
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fallon, J. Otis
Fallon, Thomas F.
Finney, Elkanah
Flood, Nathan B.
Frazer, Charles A.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Golding, John
Haggerty, Roger
Hall, Henry C.
Handley, Aaron C.

Messrs. Heffernan, Edward J.

Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hemenway, Augustus
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hinds, John F.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howard, Timothy
Hurley, John T.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Judd, Myron H.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Knox, James W.
Lakin, James A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Leslie, Horace G.
Lomasney, Joseph P.
Luby, Patrick B.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McKenna, George B.
McLean, Isaac
McNamara, Jeremiah J.
McSolla, Richard F.
Mellen, James H.
Mitchell, Michael J.
Mooney, William L.

Messrs. Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Plummer, John M.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Ripley, Samuel E.

Messrs. Savage, Patrick J.
 Shaw, Ebenezer
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Swallow, George N.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Butler, William M.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clarke, George E.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Day, Frederick B.

Messrs. Danforth, John M.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hinckley, Charles E.
 Hodges, William D.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kirby, Albert C.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for the exemption from the civil service acts of superior officers who need confirmation by the mayor or aldermen ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making all persons who have been insolvent or bankrupt ineligible as trustees of savings banks or directors of trust companies ; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the forty-eighth registration report as relates to libels for divorce ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to corporate names ;

Relative to the appointment of election officers in cities :

To prevent false representations to overseers of the poor and the State Board of Lunacy and Charity ;

To punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the State Prison ;

To provide for the returns of prison expenses ,

To amend section 5 of chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to associations for charitable and other purposes :

To provide a clerk for the first district court of southern Worcester ;

To confirm the proceedings in an election held in the city of New Bedford on the second day of December in the year 1890 ; and

Amending an act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the payment of a street betterment assessment upon property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester ;

Providing for furnishing the new cottage, and for additional hospital accommodations at the Lyman School for Boys ;

In favor of Waldo F. Miles ; and

Authorizing the county of Plymouth to pay certain money to the widow of Francis M. Vaughan ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Suburban Railroad Company was read a second time and considered. Mr. Bliss of Boston moved to amend in section 4, line 10, by inserting, after the word "specified," the words "*Section 5. Said railroad company.*" The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable cities and towns to lease quarters in their public buildings to veteran firemen's associations ;

To confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Wakefield held on the second day of March of the present year ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth ; and

To amend section 16 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes in regard to sureties on bonds of trustees ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to revive the powers of, and extend the time for building the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company ; and the

Resolve relative to printing an edition of the atlas maps of Massachusetts as prepared and engraved by the Geological Survey ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the distribution of the school fund was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment striking out in section 1, line 9, the word "census" and inserting in place thereof the words "preceding assessors' valuation." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill (taken from the Senate files of last year) providing for the inspection of electric lights and meters was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Manufactures, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James B. Wiggin and others, that attachments shall not be made upon real estate until after judgment, was considered. Mr. Rideout of Cam-

bridge moved to amend by striking out the words "petitioners have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was adopted.

The Bill codifying and amending the laws relating to the alewife fishery in Herring River, in the town of Bourne, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Finney of Plymouth moved to amend in section 4, line 18, by inserting, after the word "tributaries," the words "in said town;" also in line 21 of the same section by inserting, after the word "spawn," the words "in the town of Bourne;" also in section 5, line 3, by inserting, after the word "seize," the words "in said town." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Clarke of Falmouth.

On the question on the engrossment of the Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to others than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 106 yeas to 94 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Anderson, Stephen		Clark, Hiram E. W.	
Appleton, Francis H.		Clark, Louis M.	
Bachelor, Charles M.		Clarke, George E.	
Baker, Charles H.		Clough, George S.	
Barrett, Richard F.		Coburn, Clarence G.	
Bennett, Frank P.		Converse, Morton E.	
Bicknell, Zechariah L.		Curtis, Francis C.	
Bill, Ledyard		Danforth, John M.	
Bingham, Henry T.		Day, Frederick B.	
Blanchard, S. Stillman		Dewey, Henry S.	
Björton, Henry W.		Dickinson, Henry S.	
Brooks, Ethan		Edson, Nathan	
Bullard, Henry B.		Emery, S. Hopkins	
Bullock, Walter J. D.		Fales, Nathan H.	
Butler, William M.		Fears, Isaac P.	
Carpenter, Erastus P.		Fletcher, Charles T.	
Carpenter, George N.		Gammons, Benjamin	
Child, Daniel R.		Gardner, Arthur H.	

Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hodges, William D.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McFarland, Herbert A.

Messrs. McFethries, John
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Newell, Charles B.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Finney, Elkanah

Messrs. Flood, Nathan B.	Messrs. Mitchell, Michael J.
Gale, John A.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Golding, John	Mott, Edward
Haggerty, Roger	Nutting, Arthur F.
Hall, Henry C.	Oakes, William H.
Handley, Aaron C.	O'Brien, John
Heffernan, Edward J.	O'Brien, John J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Parker, James O.
Hemenway, Augustus	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Herrod, Edward E.	Plummer, John M.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Quincy, Josiah
Hinds, John F.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Hobson, Charles H.	Rady, Andrew J.
Howard, Timothy	Raftery, Patrick H.
Howe, Archibald M.	Reid, James
Hurley, John T.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Judd, Myron H.	Savage, Patrick J.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Kelly, Charles A.	Smith, Charles S.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Smith, Elvin L.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Sohier, William D.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lynch, John B.	Sprague, Charles F.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Stearns, William H.
McAnally, Frank	Stevens, William S.
McCarthy, Daniel	Sullivan, Michael F.
McDonald, Peter J.	Swallow, George N.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Thurston, Lysander
McEttrick, Michael J.	Tilton, Frank B.
McKenna, George B.	Turner, Charles W.
McLean, Isaac	Warren, Bentley W.
McLoughlin, John T.	Wetherell, Barney T.
McSolla, Richard F.	Wilson, William Power
Mellen, James H.	Withington, Nathan N.

Yeas, 106 ; Nays, 94.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Meade, William E.*	Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac
Murray, Michael J.*	Breen, Daniel F.
Fairbanks, John W.*	Ramage, James

The Bill to transfer the inspection of public buildings and school-houses from the district police to the local

boards of health was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to sanitary provisions and ventilation." Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by inserting in line 8, after the word "a" the words "city or;" also in line 10 by inserting after the word "such" the words "city or." Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend in line 9 by inserting at the end thereof after the word "the" the word "State;" also in line 10 by striking out the words "of such town." After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford. The amendments moved by Mr. Turner were severally adopted. The amendment moved by Mr. Howe was rejected. The bill moved by Mr. Quincy, as amended, was then substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, at eight minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 25, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and that Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill had been appointed to preside during his absence.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

City of Taunton, — donation of land for a post-office building.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mott of Taunton, of the mayor and city solicitor of Taunton, for authority to grant and donate to the United States land of said city for a post-office building, according to certain acts of Congress relating thereto, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mott, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Sunday news-papers.

A petition, presented by Mr. Emery of Taunton, of Joseph Cook and others, that a hearing may be granted in support of a resolution passed by a Massachusetts Sabbath convention and asking for a repeal of the present legalization of the printing and distribution of newspapers on Sunday, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. The petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Boston, —

Committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency be granted until April 7 to report upon all matters before them.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters referred to them. Committee on Banks and Banking.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to consider matters referred to them. Committee on Education.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now referred to them. Committee on Election Laws.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Federal Relations be granted until Wednesday, April 8, to consider the matters referred to them. Committee on Federal Relations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters referred to them. Committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now referred to them. Committee on Insurance.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters referred to them. Joint committee on the Judiciary.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now referred to them. Joint committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters referred to them. Joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report upon matters now under consideration by them. Committee on Manufactures.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report upon matters referred to them. Committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs be authorized to visit such places, within the Committee on Military Affairs.

limits of the Commonwealth, as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Parishes and
Religious Soci-
ties.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters referred to them.

Committee on
Public Health.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters referred to them.

Committee on
Railroads.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads be granted until Wednesday, April 1, in which to report on matters now referred to them.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now before them.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly : —

Committee on
Water Supply.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now referred to them.

Report of the
Adjutant-Gen-
eral,—armories.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Adjutant-General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, as relates to appropriations for armories, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Province Laws.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioners for completing the preparation and publication of the Province Laws, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

Reports :

Janitors of
school-houses.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling school boards to pay janitors of school-houses at least once in seven days;

West End
Street Railway
Company.

Of the joint committee on Rules, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin and others, that a joint special committee be appointed to investigate the workings of the lobby during the last three years, and to investigate the investigation made in the year 1890 by

legislative committees touching the work of the lobby in connection with the West End Street Railway Company, and report such bill or bills as may be required to remove said evils; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles L. Scott and others, that all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who served in the late rebellion shall be exempt from certain taxes;

Soldiers and sailors, — exemption from taxation.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Resolve relating to the president and trustees of Bowdoin College, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bowdoin College.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House order and petition had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused, in each case, to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law for the conferring upon town clerks the duties of moderator in relation to the recounting of ballots cast at town meetings, as provided by the Acts and Resolves of 1890, chapter 423, section 226, in the event of the death, absence or incapacity of the moderator of such meeting.

Town meetings, — duties of town clerks.

Petition of the mayor of Lynn, for an act providing that all members of the regular police force of Lynn, except the city marshal, shall be hereafter appointed by the mayor, to hold office during good behavior.

City of Lynn, — tenure of office of police officers.

Notice was also received that the following House order had been rejected by the Senate: —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, to whom was referred the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, inquire as to the methods practised by said board in the filling of the South Boston flats in relation to compensation for displacement of tidal waters, either "in kind," or by contribution in money to the "harbor fund," in accordance with the rules of said board as applied and enforced upon other parties making improvements in Boston Harbor, and report in print the facts for the use of the Legislature.

Harbor and Land Commissioners, — South Boston flats.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

A petition of the selectmen and others of Shrewsbury, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, was placed on file.

Town of
Methuen, —
water supply.

A remonstrance of D. M. Ayer and others against granting the inhabitants of Methuen authority to obtain a water supply was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
Attorney-
General.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the annual report of the Attorney-General, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the reference.

Employers'
liability.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the liability of employers. Read, and on motion of Mr. Dewey, the rule was suspended, and the bill was laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee.

Highways.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending chapter 49 of the Public Statutes, relating to the laying out and discontinuance of highways. Read, and on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the report was laid on the table.

Cattle Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Bill of Paxton, from the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Cattle Commissioners. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bill, and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of
Health, — drain-
age and sewer-
age.

By Mr. Moore of Waltham, from the committee on Drainage, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the State Board of Health as relates to drainage and sewerage. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. McLean of Cambridge, from the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the second annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rice of Worcester, and sent up for concurrence.

State House
Construction
Commissioners.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving to the district and police courts original and concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Court in certain cases.

District courts,
— original jurisdiction with the
Superior Court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation regulating the procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners. (Messrs. Gould of Chelsea, Charles of Boston, Worcester of Townsend, and Warren of Boston, present and dissenting.)

Procedure by
and before public
boards and
commissioners.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to revising and amending all existing laws relating to the inferior judiciary.

Inferior courts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order (taken from the files of last year) relative to more complete indexes in the registries of deeds.

Indexes in the
registries of
deeds.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bail fees in certain cases of drunkenness or other misdemeanors.

Drunkenness.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting fines and commitments for simple drunkenness.

Id.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to appeals in equity cases and carrying questions of law in equity cases to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Supreme Judicial Court, —
equity cases.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 203 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to naturalization, so as to extend the jurisdiction of courts without a clerk.

Naturalization.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of an additional member of the detective

District police,
— Buzzard's
Bay.

department of the district police force, to be assigned to some convenient district on the shores of Buzzard's Bay.

Appeals and
exceptions in
the Superior
Court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 94 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to proceedings where a party taking an appeal or an exception neglects to enter the question in the Supreme Judicial Court, so that it shall apply to appeals and exceptions allowed by the Superior Court.

Inferior courts,
— liens.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to make more certain what inferior courts shall have jurisdiction of suits to enforce liens.

Incorporation
of clubs.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1890, being an act to regulate the incorporation of clubs, by striking out the words "hereafter incorporated" in the second line thereof.

Liens.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to giving to any person to whom a debt is due for materials furnished in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, the right of subrogation to all the rights of the contractor with the owner of such real estate.

Id.

By the same gentleman from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics or laborers who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor.

Seamen.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to protect seamen from impositions practised upon them by boarding-house keepers and others.

General stat-
utes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing for the appointment of commissioners to consolidate and arrange all the general statutes of the Commonwealth.

Employers' lia-
bility.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing

the widow or next of kin of persons not employees, injured and dying instantaneously by reason of the carelessness or negligence of the third person, to recover damages for such injuries.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the disposition of fees in poor debtor matters.

Fees in poor debtor matters.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to requiring petitions for legislation by corporations to be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a certain time before the same are introduced in the General Court.

Corporations, — filing of petitions to be presented to the General Court.

By Mr. Smith of Amherst, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 109 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, concerning the fees for dog licenses.

Fees for dog licenses.

By Mr. Fales of Norfolk, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank, Mechanics' Savings Bank and People's Savings Bank, for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendment in respect to the division of net profits of savings banks.

Deposits in savings banks.

By Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry, for the adoption of a system of equal representation for the election of Senators and Representatives, and a petition of the First Nationalist Club of Boston in aid of the same. (Messrs. McLoughlin of Milford and Preshe of Boston, of the House, dissent, and recommend that the petition be referred to the next General Court. See House, No. 324.)

Equal representation in the election of Senators and Representatives to the General Court.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending Article XXI. of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth in the part reading, "and in each city said enumeration shall specify the number of such legal voters aforesaid residing in each ward of such city," by striking out the last seven words therein and substituting therefor the words "in such detail as the Legislature shall prescribe."

Constitutional amendment, — census.

By Mr. Hall of Waltham, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. E.

Turner's Falls fire district.

Ripley, that the Australian system of voting may be extended to the Turner's Falls fire district meeting, and a petition in aid of the same.

Elections, — appointment of tellers.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending sections 80 and 222 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so as to require the appointment of tellers in all cases to assist in checking, assorting or counting the votes.

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, so as to give equal rights to all citizens to take certain fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay.

Town of Mattapoisett, — fisheries.

By Mr. Gammons of Rochester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Lilburne Hiller and others, for an amendment of chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay, so as to allow the use of set nets and gill nets within one-half mile of the shore in the waters of Mattapoisett.

New Bedford Real Estate Association.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the New Bedford Real Estate Association, for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans and mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Recognizances in poor debtor proceedings.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 28 of chapter 162 of the Public Statutes, relating to recognizances in poor debtor proceedings.

Association for the Protection of Destitute Roman Catholic Children in Boston.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill concerning the Association for the Protection of Destitute Roman Catholic Children in Boston.

Drunkenness.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill relating to the punishment for drunkenness.

Superior Court.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill conferring additional jurisdiction upon the Superior Court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 115 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to the licensing of shows. Licensing of shows.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 45 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, relating to the discharge of mechanics' liens. Discharge of mechanics' liens.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization. Naturalization.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to prevent excessive charges in the redemption of tax titles. Redemption of tax titles.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm certain proceedings of the town meeting of Nantucket, held in the month of February of the present year. Town of Nantucket, — town meeting.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend sections 9 and 10 of chapter 205 of the Public Statutes, relating to offences against public justice. Offences against public justice.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to fees for naturalization. Naturalization.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill providing for the payment of fees in poor debtor matters. Fees in poor debtor matters.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Clinton, held on the second day of March of the present year. Town of Clinton, — town meeting.

By Mr. McFarland of Wales, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company. State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to relocate the ward line between ward 3 and ward 7 in said city. City of Holyoke.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Quincy to construct a system of sewerage. City of Quincy, — sewerage.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to amend section 25 of Assessors of taxes, — street lists.

chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the compilation of street lists by assessors of taxes.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

By Mr. Gammons of Rochester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order and petitions, a Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay.

State Farm at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Thurston of Enfield, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, a Bill changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm are required to make their annual report.

Railroads, —
making up and
shifting of
freight trains.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Bill relating to the making up and shifting of freight trains and the sounding of locomotive whistles.

Hoosac Tunnel
and Wilmington
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company to purchase, lease and operate the Deerfield Valley Railroad in the State of Vermont, or to consolidate its railroad therewith, to increase its capital stock, to issue bonds, and for other purposes.

City of Lowell,
— railroad
tracks.

By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Lowell to provide for the removal and relocation of certain railroad tracks within said city.

Town of Ware-
ham, — street
railway com-
panies.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize certain street railway companies in Wareham to purchase and hold the property rights and franchises of and to unite and consolidate with each other.

Road commis-
sioners and
selectmen.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Towns, on an order, a Bill to define certain respective powers of road commissioners and of selectmen.

Town of Cohas-
set.

By Mr. Weston of Hingham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to legalize certain acts of the town of Cohasset.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Naturalization.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve releasing the interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands in Winchester. (Messrs. Gould of Chelsea and Charles of Boston, dissenting)

Town of Winchester, — release of interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order, a Bill to provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks. (Mr. Stevens of Boston, of the House, dissenting)

Collection of statistics of deposits in savings banks.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the committee on Education, on the fourth annual report of the State Board of Education, in part, a Resolve to provide additional facilities and improvements at the State Normal School in Bridgewater.

State Normal School in Bridgewater.

By Mr. Rice of Worcester, from the committee on Election Laws, on orders, a Bill relative to the care of ballot-boxes and furnishing of election blanks and instructions by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — ballot-boxes and election blanks.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Resolve to provide for collating, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops of the period of the Revolutionary war.

Records of Massachusetts Revolutionary troops.

By Mr. Turner of Middleborough, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Alonzo D. Fisher.

Alonzo D. Fisher.

By Mr. Handley of Acton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Isaac D. Pease.

Isaac D. Pease.

By Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, a Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses, purchasing of land and buildings, and the erection of a new building at the Westborough Insane Hospital.

Westborough Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, from the same committee, on the annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, the Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment was discharged from the orders

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By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Lowell to provide for the removal and relocation of certain railroad tracks within said city.

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By Mr. Weston of Hingham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to legalize certain acts of the town of Cohasset.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Naturalization.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve releasing the interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands in Winchester. (Messrs. Gould of Chelsea and Charles of Boston, dissenting)

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By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, from the same committee, on the annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

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Weekly pay-
ment of wages.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the Bill to amend the law relating to the weekly payment of wages was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Labor.

Trials of speed
of horses.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, on an order prescribing the terms in which trials of speed of horses may take place, that the subject-matter has been considered and reported upon adversely by the committee on Agriculture, and the report has been accepted by the House, and that under House Rule 48 the committee on the Judiciary can introduce no measure based upon this order, was discharged from the orders of the day under the suspension of the rule, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 103 to 48.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

On motions of Mr. Day of Boston, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. G. Adams and others, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 1, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Railroads, —
brakemen on
freight trains.

On motions of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the number of brakemen on freight trains, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Railroad from
Weymouth to
Marshfield.

On motions of Mr. Peterson of Whitman, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Eugene H. Clapp and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing

a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in the town of Marshfield, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to tax mercantile agencies, and especially foreign agencies doing business in this Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Taxation of
mercantile
agencies.

On motions of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William L. Mooney, for legislation to compel the Old Colony Railroad Company to elevate a certain portion of their road-bed and tracks within the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— Old Colony
Railroad Com-
pany.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the New England Commercial Travellers Association to increase its reserve fund ;

To amend an act to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ; and

To authorize the town of Randolph to pay certain bounties ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

In relation to diplomas granted to graduates of the State normal schools in this Commonwealth ;

Providing for the withdrawal of names of candidates for town offices ; and

To authorize beneficiary associations to return to members certain additions to death funds ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to regulating the size of plans left for record in the registries of deeds ;

Orders of the
day.

On an order relative to limiting the time for which attachments on real estate shall be a lien thereon, and of providing for the dissolution of existing attachments thereon ;

On an order relative to legislation to extend the jurisdiction of the courts over foreign corporations doing business in this Commonwealth ;

On an order relative to the service of trustee writs issuing from police, district or municipal courts ;

On an order relative to tax sales of certain lands on the island of Nantucket ; and

On an order relative to requiring the clerks of courts to prepare a list of jurors in attendance for examination of parties in counsel, such list to state the name, residence and occupation of each juror ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to conferring upon school committees authority to introduce industrial training into the public schools when deemed expedient ; and

On an order relative to the examination of teachers employed in the schools in the towns of this Commonwealth before the State Board of Education or agents thereof ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in addition to the powers conferred upon the Commissioners of Fisheries and Game by section 3 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, said commissioners and their deputies be authorized to arrest on sight persons violating the fish and game laws of the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to increase at least ten per cent. the wages now paid State, city and town employees who are classified as laborers, and that such amounts with the above increase be paid to all employees now or hereafter engaged in and by the State, cities and towns as laborers ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that brewers shall not sell malt liquors in quantities less than one-fourth barrel ;

On an order relative to enacting a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor ; and

On an order relative to further legislation to prevent the sale or distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquor are not granted ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of Boston, for such legislation as will prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors to women ; and

On an order relative to prohibiting persons who are minors from loitering upon premises where intoxicating liquors are sold ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newburyport, for an amendment of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1889, so that the expenses attending the payment of State aid in cities and towns shall be paid by the Commonwealth ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowances to city and town officers of expenses attending the payment of State aid ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for the adoption, in the legislative system of the Commonwealth, of the Swiss Referendum Popular Initiative and Imperative Mandate, and of an equitable method of minority representation, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of the several counties, except Suffolk, to arrange and index the probate records in their respective counties ;

Relating to sentences of prisoners in the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Authorizing the city of Lowell to take land for burial-grounds and providing for their management ;

To authorize the rebuilding and extension of the draw-fender-pier of the Newburyport bridge, between the city of Newburyport and the town of Salisbury ;

To amend chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Quincy ;

To provide for the apportionment of the expenses of constructing a certain highway in the city of Salem and town of Peabody ;

To amend section 5 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to fines in criminal cases ;

Authorizing the probate court to order parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship ; and

In relation to exceptions and appeals in criminal cases ; and

Resolves :

To provide for an investigation of the " Zone System " of railroad passenger fares ; and

Authorizing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to make inquiry into the subject of pensioning railroad employees injured in the discharge of their duties ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the trust estate left by Eliza G. Lamson was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills :

Authorizing the fire district of the town of Dalton to issue additional bonds ;

Relative to the appointment of election officers in cities ;

To provide for the returns of prison expenses ;

To provide a clerk for the first district court of southern Worcester ;

To confirm the proceedings in an election held in the city of New Bedford on the second day of December in the year 1890 ;

Amending an act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions ; and

To incorporate the Suburban Railroad Company ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Waldo F. Miles ; and

Providing for the payment of a street betterment assessment upon property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve authorizing the county of Plymouth to pay certain money to the widow of Francis M. Vaughan was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow the formation of corporations for the purpose of generating and furnishing hydrostatic pressure for mechanical power, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 79 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to the preservation of the public health, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill relating to notice of diseases dangerous to public health," which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the days on which State and municipal elections are held legal holidays, was further considered. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to make the day of the State election a legal holiday." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline. On the question on the substitution of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, and the roll being called the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 74 yeas to 105 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Carpenter, Erastus P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Fallon, J. Otis
Fallon, Thomas F.
Ferren, Myron J.
Finney, Elkanah
Fletcher, Charles T.
Gale, John A.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Golding, John
Haggerty, Roger
Heffernan, Edward J.
Herrod, Edward E.

Messrs. Hevey, Thomas D.	Messrs. Moreau, Louis E. P.
Hinds, John F.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Hobson, Charles H.	O'Brien, John
Howe, Archibald M.	O'Brien, John J.
Hurley, John T.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Kelly, Charles A.	Pomeroy, John P.
Knox, James W.	Presho, Edward W.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Quincy, Josiah
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Luby, Patrick B.	Rady, Andrew J.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Reid, James
McAnally, Frank	Richardson, Arthur C.
McCarthy, Daniel	Ripley, Samuel E.
McDonald, Peter J.	Savage, Patrick J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Shaw, Ebenezer
McEttrick, Michael J.	Smith, Elvin L.
McKenna, George B.	Stearns, William H.
McLean, Isaac	Sullivan, Michael F.
McLoughlin, John T.	Swallow, George N.
McSolla, Richard F.	Tilton, Frank B.
Mellen, James H.	Turner, Charles W.
Mooney, William L.	Warren, Bentley W.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.	Messrs. Dyar, Perlie A.
Austin, J. Lewis	Edson, Nathan
Baker, Charles H.	Emery, S. Hopkins
Barrett, Harry H.	Fairbanks, John W.
Barrett, Richard F.	Fales, Nathan H.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Flood, Nathan B.
Bennett, Frank P.	Gammons, Benjamin
Bingham, Henry T.	Giles, Joseph J.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Gillett, Frederick H.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Goddard, Edward A.
Britton, Henry W.	Greene, Edward W.
Brooks, Ethan	Hall, Henry C.
Bullard, Henry B.	Handley, Aaron C.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Harding, N. Frank
Butler, William M.	Hartshorn, James A.
Carpenter, George N.	Hemenway, Augustus
Chester, Dwight	Hickox, Stephen A.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Hinckley, Charles E.
Clough, George S.	Hodges, William D.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Howe, Edward C.
Curtis, Francis C.	Howe, S. Augustus
Danforth, John M.	Hunting, Amos
Day, Frederick B.	Johnson, Henry H.
Dewey, Henry S.	Judd, Myron H.

Messrs. Keyes, Charles G.	Messrs. Prouty, John E. O.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Read, Franklin F.
Kirby, Albert C.	Rice, William H.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Richardson, Albert W.
Knowlton, George K.	Salter, John J.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lakin, James A.	Shaw, Charles F.
Lane, Hiram B.	Smith, Charles S.
Lane, Howard G.	Sprague, Charles F.
Langdon, Henry W.	Stevens, William S.
Lawrence, William B.	Taft, Henry G.
Lewis, James A.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Longley, Henry C.	Thurston, Lysander
Lord, Lucien	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Loud, John C.	Tucker, George F.
Luther, Haile R.	Turner, Henry E.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Tuttle, William H. H.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
McFethries, John	Waterman, Eben C.
Meade, William E.	Weston, Thomas
Monk, Hiram A.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Moore, Charles	Wheaton, Henry C.
Murray, Michael J.	White, Franklin B.
Newell, Charles B.	Whitney, Edwin
Oakes, William H.	Wier, Fred N.
Olmstead, James M.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Pickering, Benjamin P.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Plummer, John M.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Powers, Wilbur H.	

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PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Parker, James O.	Messrs. Sohier, William D.*
Ellis, Edward C.*	Worcester, Charles F.
Harriman, Charles H.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.*
Mitchell, Michael J.*	Appleton, Francis H.
Ensign, Charles S.*	Clark, Louis M.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House postponed until December 1 the report of the joint committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an

order relative to legislation concerning the enactment of such laws or the making of such regulations as shall prevent corporations, associations or individuals interested in matters to be acted upon by any State, county, city or town officials, or by the Legislature, from offering or having offered in their behalf entertainment to such officials or members, and to prevent its acceptance by them, was adopted. Pending the recurring question on the postponement of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, referred to the next General Court.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House postponed until December 1 the Bill to prevent the entertainment of members of the General Court by persons and corporations interested in certain legislation was adopted. Pending the recurring question on the postponement of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, referred to the next General Court.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, at quarter before five o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 26, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Petitions, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of City of Boston, — hours of labor of employees in the fire department. G. P. Guilford and others ; and of John Fitzpatrick and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Isaac A. Williams and others, that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston fire department.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition, presented by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, of Jerome Jones and others, in aid of the order relating to the appointment of a special commission for drafting an act embodying the Australian system of land registration. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the town of Everett, in aid of petitions for legislation authorizing cities and towns to establish electric light plants. To the committee on Manufactures.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Hodges of Nahant, of George Close and others ; and of H. F. Sparron and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for a law to prevent the manufacture or sale of confectionery containing alcohol.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of Omar Pease and others ; of J. E. Holway and others ; and of Hiram Carleton and others, — severally, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

*Order.*Committee on
Public Health.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to sit during the sessions of the Legislature.
 Sent up for concurrence.

*Papers from the Senate.*Committee on
Agriculture.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now before them.

Committee on
Expenditures.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now before them.

Committee on
Prisons.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons be granted until Wednesday, April 8, to report on matters referred to them.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered: —

Committee on
Water Supply.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted until Wednesday, April 8, in which to report on matters now referred to them.

Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to amend by striking out the words "Wednesday, April 8," and inserting in place thereof the words "Monday, April 13." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Sale, at public
auction, of new
shares of street
railway stock.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to amending section 16 of chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relative to new shares of stock of street railways, so as to require the sale at public auction of new shares upon an increase of capital stock of street railways when the cash market value of its shares exceeds the par value thereof, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Cities, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Soldiers and
sailors.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1890,

relative to the relief of soldiers and sailors and the widows and minor children of soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States during the war of the rebellion, so as to provide that the choice of an attending physician, in case such relief is furnished, may be made by the beneficiary assisted under the said act, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The House Resolve in favor of Patrick Buckley came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting in line 7, after the word "instalments," the words "*provided*, that, in the event of the decease of said Buckley within said term of five years, this annuity shall cease." On motion of Mr. Salter of Lynn, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendment, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Patrick Buckley.

A Bill to authorize the State Board of Agriculture to collect and disseminate information relating to abandoned farms (reported on an order and on the report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor relating to abandoned farms) came down referred to the committee on Expenditures. The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Abandoned farms.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Lawrence, for legislation authorizing the mayor to appoint a board of fire engineers, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

City of Lawrence, — fire engineers.

The House petition of the mayor and aldermen of Gloucester, that said city may be authorized to raise by taxation a sum not exceeding \$5,000 for a proper observance of its 250th anniversary, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

City of Gloucester, — 250th anniversary.

The House petition of Richard F. Briggs and others, supplementary to the petition of Richard F. Briggs and others, for authority to build a railroad from some point on the Amesbury branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad to the New Hampshire line, came down with the endorsement, "9th joint rule suspended, and committee instructed to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as they shall direct." The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Railroad from Amesbury to the New Hampshire line.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

By Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, from the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. O'Brien, and sent up for concurrence.

Discharge of
debts by wage
earners.

By Mr. Howe of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the discharge of debts by wage earners, and a petition in aid of the same.

Cities, — erec-
tion and rental
of dwelling-
houses.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for legislation permitting cities to erect dwelling-houses and let the same at a rental.

Elections, —
election officers.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of section 72 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, in which provision is made for the representation among election officers of the voters who do not belong to either of the two leading political parties.

Elections, —
assistance in
marking ballots.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all voters asking assistance in marking their ballots shall be assisted by the deputy inspectors, who shall act as instructors to voters in such cases.

Elections, —
nomination
papers.

By Mr. Rice of Worcester, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations by caucus or by nomination papers, so as to more clearly define the caucus at which such nomination may be made and to increase the number of signatures of voters required on such papers.

Bridge and
highway over
Westport River.

By Mr. Tibbetts of Lynn, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Perry P. Brightman and others, that the county commissioners of Bristol County may be authorized to build a bridge and highway over Westport River, from Westport Point to Horse Neck.

Insurance, —
standard form
of policy.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative

to amending chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887, relating to insurance, by striking out, in the standard form of policy, the words "which amount if not agreed upon shall be ascertained by award of referees, as hereinafter provided."

By Mr. Atkins of Plainfield, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton and David Taylor, relative to the establishment of a minimum wage for all trades and all wage workers.

Minimum wages for all trades and wage workers.

By Mr. Dickinson of Springfield, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of 1890, concerning the abolition of grade crossings, so that when grades are separated and a public way crosses a railroad by an overhead bridge, the expense of maintaining and keeping the surface of the bridge in repair shall be borne by the railroad company.

Railroads, — expense of maintaining overhead bridges.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Barrett of Malden, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to require an affidavit in petitions for administration of estates of deceased persons.

Administration of estates of deceased persons.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Holyoke to incur a debt outside of its limit of indebtedness.

City of Holyoke, — indebtedness.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to amend section 25 of chapter 413 of the Acts of the year 1889 relative to assistance to voters.

Elections, — assistance to voters.

By Mr. Atkins of Plainfield, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (recommitted) to amend the law relating to the weekly payment of wages ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Weekly payment of wages.

By Mr. Ramage of Holyoke, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on petitions, a Bill in addition to an act to provide for laying out a highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecticut River, between Holyoke and Chicopee. (Mr. Alden, of the Senate, and Messrs. Henderson of Cambridge, Taft of Worcester and Bacheller of Lynn, of the House, dissenting)

Bridge between Holyoke and Chicopee.

By Mr. Smith of Mansfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to extend the limits of the Foxborough water supply district and change its boundaries.

Foxborough water supply district.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Railroads, —
couplers and
brakes on
freight cars.

By Mr. Mott of Taunton, from the committee on Railroads, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the protection of railroad employees, and on the recommendation of the Railroad Commissioners, transmitted by the Governor, relating to uniform legislation throughout the country to compel the use of automatic couplers and brakes on freight cars, a Resolution relating to couplers and brakes on freight cars. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear
Infirmity.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmity ought to pass.

Alonzo D.
Fisher.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Alonzo D. Fisher ought to pass.

Isaac D. Pease.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Isaac D. Pease ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Manual training
and industrial
education.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to education, in part, a Resolve to provide for an investigation of the subject of manual training and industrial education.

James H.
Sears.

By Mr. Dyar of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of James H. Sears.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates,
— water supply.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order, a Bill to authorize the Trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates to contract for a supply of water.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Thirty-fifth
Massachusetts
Regiment
Association.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the Resolve granting an allowance to the 35th Massachusetts Regiment Association was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, Mr. Kimball moved to amend by adding at the end thereof the following words: "*Provided, however,* that no part of said sum shall be paid until a lot of land at least twenty-five feet

square, upon which said monument is to be erected, shall have been conveyed to the Commonwealth by good and sufficient deeds, together with the right of way convenient to reach the same from the public way." The amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Stevens of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to amend chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to sanitary provisions and ventilation, which motion was lost.

Public buildings and school-houses, — sanitary provisions and regulations.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bail fees in certain cases of drunkenness or other misdemeanors, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Drunkenness.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1890, being an act to regulate the incorporation of clubs, by striking out the words "hereafter incorporated," in the second line thereof, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Incorporation of clubs.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the reports:

Of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to giving to any person to whom a debt is due for materials furnished in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, the right of subrogation to all the rights of the contractor with the owner of such real estate; and

Liens.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics or laborers who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor;

Id.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

Governor's
staff.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the Bill relative to appointments on the Governor's staff was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Street railway
companies, —
reports of
accidents.

On motions of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to report all accidents to the board of aldermen of the city, or the selectmen of the town, where such accidents occur, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

On motions of Mr. Warren of Boston, the reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Procedure by
and before
boards of public
officers and
commissioners.
Employers'
liability.

On an order relative to legislation regulating the procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners ; and

On an order relative to allowing the widow or next of kin of persons not employees, injured and dying instantaneously by reason of the carelessness or negligence of a third person, to recover damages for such injuries ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

Deposits in
savings banks.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank, Mechanics' Savings Bank and People's Savings Bank, for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendment in respect to the division of net profits of savings banks, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Resolve to provide for certain expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the resolve, as recom-

mended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Finance.

On motions of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry, for the adoption of a system of equal representation for the election of Senators and Representatives, and the petition of the First Nationalist Club of Boston in aid of the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Equal representation in the election of Senators and Representatives to the General Court.

On motions of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, so as to give equal rights to all citizens to take certain fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, the Bill to confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Clinton, held on the second day of March of the present year, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Tuttle moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to confirm proceedings of town meetings heretofore held during the present year," which was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Town of Clinton, — town meeting.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To change the name of the Thompson and Baker Coal Company (which originated in the House); and

Bills enacted.

To give towns jurisdiction over highways and county bridges (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves:

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes;

Resolves passed.

In favor of Joseph A. Parker;

In favor of Jeremiah J. Scannell ; and
 In favor of Mary E. Perkins ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation to make more certain what inferior courts shall have jurisdiction of suits to enforce liens ;

On an order relative to giving to the district and police courts original and concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court in certain cases ;

On an order relative to limiting fines and commitments for simple drunkenness ;

On an order relative to appeals in equity cases, and carrying questions of law in equity cases to the supreme judicial court ;

On an order relative to amending chapter 203 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to naturalization, so as to extend the jurisdiction of courts without a clerk ;

On an order relative to the disposition of fees in poor debtor matters ;

On an order relative to the appointment of an additional member of the detective department of the district police force, to be assigned to some convenient district on the shores of Buzzard's Bay ;

On an order relative to amending chapter 94 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to proceedings where a party taking an appeal or an exception neglects to enter the question in the supreme judicial court, so that it shall apply to appeals and exceptions allowed by the superior court ; and

On an order relative to revising and amending all existing laws relating to the inferior judiciary ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order (taken from the files of last year) relative to more complete indexes in the registries of deeds ;
 Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 109 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, concerning the fees for dog licenses ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending sections 104, 105, 106 and 108 of chapter 432 of the Acts of the year 1890, so as to allow city and town clerks in case of recounts of ballots cast at any election fifteen days instead of ten in which to transmit copies of votes; also to make more certain the time within which requests for recounts must be filed, and to further restrict the right to demand recounts;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of S. E. Ripley, that the Australian system of voting may be extended to the Turner's Falls fire district meeting, and a petition in aid of the same; and

On the petition of John M. Berry, for such legislation as will permit any town to elect its selectmen, and any city its aldermen and councilmen, by a system of equal representation, and a petition in aid of the same;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lilburne Hiller and others, for an amendment of chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay, so as to allow the use of set nets and gill nets within one-half mile of the shore in the waters of Mattapoisett;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union, for such legislation as will prohibit the granting of licenses to women for the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the New Bedford Real Estate Association, for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans and mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 366 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to increase of capital stock of street railways, and such other acts as may give authority to the Board of Railroad Commissioners to authorize the issue of capital stock;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling school boards to pay janitors of school-houses at least once in seven days;

Of the joint committee on Rules, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin and others, that a joint special committee be appointed to investigate the workings of the lobby during the last three years, and to investigate the investigation made in the year 1890 by legislative committees touching the work of the lobby in connection with the West End Street Railway Company, and report such bill or bills as may be required to remove said evils ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles L. Scott and others, that all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who served in the late rebellion shall be exempt from certain taxes ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John S. Nicholson and others for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15 was, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, laid on the table.

The report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations, was, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 6, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Bills :

To amend an act entitled an act to regulate the employment of legislative counsel and agents, and to provide for returns of legislative expenses ;

To amend section 2 of chapter 309 of the Acts of the year 1889, concerning the better protection of infants ;

Relating to certain officers in attendance upon the supreme judicial court of the county of Suffolk ;

To incorporate the Security Live Stock Insurance Company ;

To amend an act relating to the fisheries in Wewantit River ;

To amend section 45 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, relating to the discharge of mechanics' liens ;

To amend section 115 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to the licensing of shows ;

To authorize certain street railway companies in Wareham to purchase and hold the property rights and franchises of and to unite and consolidate with each other ;

Relating to the making up and shifting of freight trains and the sounding of locomotive whistles ;

Concerning the Association for the Protection of Destitute Roman Catholic Children in Boston ;

To amend section 28 of chapter 162 of the Public Statutes, relating to recognizances in poor debtor proceedings ;

To legalize certain acts of the town of Cohasset ;

To prevent excessive charges in the redemption of tax titles ;

To amend section 25 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the compilation of street lists by assessors of taxes ;

To authorize the city of Quincy to construct a system of sewerage ;

To amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization ;

To amend sections 9 and 10 of chapter 205 of the Public Statutes, relating to offences against public justice ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town meeting of Nantucket, held in the month of February of the present year ;

To amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the fees for naturalization ;

To enable the city of Lowell to provide for the removal and relocation of certain railroad tracks within said city ;

To incorporate the State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To amend section 4 of chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay ;

Providing for the payment of fees in poor debtor proceedings ; and

Relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to prohibit the employment of prisoners outside their places of confinement was read a second time. Mr. Luther of New Bedford moved to amend in section 1, lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words "outside the precincts of such institution," and inserting the same words

after the word "employed" in line 2. The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court was read a second time and considered. Mr. Day of Boston moved to amend the article of amendment, in lines 13 and 14, by striking out the words "the transaction of business," and inserting in place thereof the word "organization." After debate the amendment was rejected, and the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of the several counties, except Suffolk, to arrange and index the probate records in their respective counties ;

To amend chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Quincy ;

To amend section 5 of chapter 440 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to fines in criminal cases ;

Authorizing the probate court to order parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship ; and

In relation to exceptions and appeals in criminal cases ; and

Resolves :

To provide for an investigation of the " Zone System " of railroad passenger fares ; and

Directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to collect certain statistics and inquire into the subject of pensioning railroad employees injured in the discharge of their duty (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George H. Brown for a law to authorize owners to arrest trespassers upon their property, was further considered. Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to authorize the arrest by owners of land of trespassers discovered committing certain offences." After debate the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted.

The Bill to require railroad corporations increasing their capital stock to sell the new shares at public auction was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House, for the reason that it contemplated legislation affecting the rights of individuals, and should be based upon a petition, rather than an order. Pending the question of order, Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield moved that the further consideration of the matter be postponed until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day, which motion prevailed.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor was read a third time. On the question on agreeing to the article of amendment, the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called, the article of amendment was agreed to, and sent up for concurrence, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 172 yeas to 4 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Burke, James F.
 Butler, William M.

Messrs. Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carter, James H.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clarke, George E.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.

Messrs. Fales, Nathan H.	Messrs. Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Fears, Isaac P.	McAnally, Frank
Finney, Elkanah	McCarthy, Daniel
Fletcher, Charles T.	McDonald, Peter J.
Frazer, Charles A.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Gardner, Arthur H.	McKenna, George B.
Giles, Joseph J.	McLean, Isaac
Gillett, Frederick H.	McLoughlin, John T.
Goddard, Edward A.	Meade, William E.
Golding, John	Mellen, James H.
Greene, Edward W.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Hall, Henry C.	Monk, Hiram A.
Handley, Aaron C.	Mooney, William L.
Harding, N. Frank	Moore, Charles
Hartshorn, James A.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Hemenway, Augustus	Mott, Edward
Herrod, Edward E.	Newell, Charles B.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Hinckley, Charles E.	Oakes, William H.
Hobson, Charles H.	O'Brien, John
Hodges, William D.	O'Brien, John J.
Howard, Timothy	Olmstead, James M.
Howe, Archibald M.	Parker, James O.
Howe, Edward C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Howe, S. Augustus	Penney, Alonzo
Hunting, Amos	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Hurley, John T.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Plummer, John M.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Pomeroy, John P.
Johnson, Henry H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Pratt, Amasa
Keyes, Charles G.	Presho, Edward W.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Quincy, Josiah
Kimball, John W.	Rady, Andrew J.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Raftery, Patrick H.
Knowlton, George K.	Ramage, James
Knox, James W.	Read, Franklin F.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Reid, James
Lane, Hiram B.	Richardson, Albert W.
Langdon, Henry W.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Lawrence, William B.	Salter, John J.
Leslie, Horace G.	Savage, Patrick J.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Longley, Henry C.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Lord, Lucien	Sohier, William D.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Luther, Haile R.	Sprague, Charles F.

Messrs. Stearns, William H.	Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.
Stevens, William S.	Waterman, Eben C.
Swallow, George N.	Weston, Thomas
Taft, Henry G.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Thomas, Harrison O.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Thurston, Lysander	Whitney, Edwin
Tilden, Charles A.	Wier, Fred N.
Tilton, Frank B.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Tucker, George F.	Wilson, William Power
Turner, Henry E.	Withington, Nathan N.
Tuttle, William H. H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Wardwell, J. Otis	Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Clough, George S.	Messrs. Loud, John C.
Curtis, Samuel N.	Rice, William H.

Yeas, 172; Nays, 4.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment; and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the senators and two-thirds of the members of the house of representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the general court next to be chosen; and that the said article be published, to the end that if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution, by the general court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

Article of Amendment.

So much of article two of section one of chapter two of part the second of the Constitution of the Commonwealth as is contained in the following words: "and unless he shall at the same time be seized, in his own right, of a freehold within the Commonwealth of the value of one thousand pounds," is hereby annulled.

The Bill relating to the recovery of damages for personal injuries caused by dogs was read a third time and con-

sidered. Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following words: "But in any one cause of action the damages so appraised shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 54 to 37.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, at five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 27, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Emery of Taunton, a member of the House.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a report made by the commissioners appointed under the provisions of chapter 24, Resolves of 1890, to inquire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams. The message was read. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the message and the accompanying papers were referred to the committee on the Library, and sent up for concurrence.

Message from the Governor,—bust marked Samuel Adams in Doric Hall, State House.

Petition.

A petition, presented by Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, of Alpheus B. Alger, mayor of the city of Cambridge, for legislation authorizing the city of Cambridge to borrow money and issue bonds therefor in excess of its debt limit, for the purpose of constructing a bridge across Charles River, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Henderson, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Cambridge,—bridge over Charles River.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on the Treasury, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference.

Carney Hospital.

Reports :

Special legisla-
tion.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on that portion of the Governor's address relating to special legislation which was referred to them ; and

Intoxicating
liquors, — local
option law.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the Public Statutes so that the local option law shall be repealed and a prohibitory statute be enacted ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

Report of the
Adjutant-Gen-
eral.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Adjutant-General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg.

Inspection of
food and drugs.

A report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Health on the inspection of food and drugs for the year ending Sept. 30, 1890, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens of Boston.

Reports :

Eight-hour law.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation making eight hours constitute a day's work ; also to providing that said act shall be submitted to the people at the next annual State election, and shall not take effect unless agreed to by a majority of the voters voting thereon at said election ;

Intoxicating
liquors, — objec-
tions to licenses.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that when an owner of real estate, within twenty-five feet of premises described in an application for a license to sell intoxicating liquor, has filed an objection to the granting of such license, it shall be final, and the licensing board shall not allow such objection to be withdrawn ; and

Suffolk County,
— truants.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 282 of the Acts of the year 1886, relative to the establishment of schools for truants and absentees from school in the county of Suffolk at places removed from institutions occupied by criminal or vicious

persons, by inserting in the fourth line of said section the word "adult," before the words "criminal or vicious persons ;"

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock (reported on a petition) ; and

Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation.

To amend an act to establish a Board of Registration in Pharmacy (reported, in part, on an order relative to the duties of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy) ;

Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to provide for the use of machinery in the State Prison, reformatories and houses of correction (reported, in part, on the recommendations of the heads of departments transmitted by the Governor, relating to the classification, employment and compensation of prisoners, and relating to labor in penal, correctional and reformatory institutions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Use of machinery in the State Prison, reformatories and houses of correction.

A Bill relating to the appointment of inspectors of milk, vinegar, provisions, and animals intended for slaughter, in the city of Boston, came down recommitted to the committee on Public Health, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston, — inspectors of milk, vinegar, provisions, and animals intended for slaughter.

A Bill relating to the watering of streets in towns was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule.

Watering of streets in towns.

The House petition of the mayor and city solicitor of Taunton, for authority to grant and donate to the United States land of said city for a post-office building, according to certain acts of Congress relating thereto, referred by the House to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, and referred in non-concurrence to the committee on Federal Relations. On motion of Mr. Mott of Taunton,

City of Taunton, — donation of land for a post-office building.

the House receded from its reference to the committee on Cities and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Federal Relations, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Executors and administrators.

By Mr. Ensign of Watertown, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of chapter 132 of the Public Statutes, relating to the notice of appointment of executors and administrators, and amendments thereof; and amending section 9 of chapter 136 of the Public Statutes, relating to the limitation of actions against executors and administrators.

Elections, — omission of names from voting lists.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to requiring boards of registrars of voters to give notice of the omission of names from the register of voters or voting lists.

Collection of taxes.

By Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to codifying the laws relating to the collection of taxes.

Division of poll-taxes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all taxes for State, county, town or city purposes be assessed upon polls and estates, and that the amount of the collective poll-taxes, not exceeding two dollars for each poll, be divided between these three classes of taxes in proportion to their several amounts.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

State Farm at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Registration of voters.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to insure a more thorough registration of voters.

New York and New England Railroad, — stations at Norwood.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Railroads, on petitions, a Bill in relation to the stations of the New York and New England Railroad in Norwood called Norwood central station and Norwood station.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Town of Hanover, — water supply. Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Hanover with water and for other purposes. (Mr. Wyer, of the Senate, and Mr. Howe of Gardner, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Repeal House Rule No. 28.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to repeal Rule 28 of the rules of the House, and moved to lay the motion to House Rule No. 28. repeal on the table, which motion was lost by a vote of 46 to 71. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Waterman of Hanover, the motion to repeal the rule was lost.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill relating to the recovery of damages for personal injuries caused by dogs, which motion, after debate, was lost by a vote of 65 to 88. Damages for personal injuries caused by dogs.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing the widow or next of kin of persons not employees, injured and dying instantaneously by reason of the carelessness or negligence of a third person, to recover damages for such injuries, was taken from the table, and was accepted. Employers' liability.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for the passage of an act authorizing the payment of a suitable salary to the members of the common council of said city, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence. City of Boston, — salaries of members of the common council.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the Bill in addition to an act to provide for laying out a highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee was discharged from the Bridge between Holyoke and Chicopee.

orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 7, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against savings banks ;

To authorize the city of Waltham to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the refunding of its water debt ; and

Codifying and amending the laws relating to the alewife fishery in Herring River in the town of Bourne ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To revive the powers of and extend the time for building the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Providing for the repairs on a certain school-house in the town of Gay Head (which originated in the House) ; and

Relative to printing an edition of the atlas maps of Massachusetts as prepared and engraved by the Geological Survey (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court :

Orders of the day.

On an order relative to requiring petitions for legislation by corporations to be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a certain time before the same are introduced in the General Court ;

On an order relative to legislation to protect seamen from impositions practised upon them by boarding-house keepers and others ; and

On an order relative to providing for the appointment of commissioners to consolidate and arrange all the general statutes of the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the discharge of debts by wage earners, and a petition in aid of the same ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending Article XXI. of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth in the part reading, "and in each city said enumeration shall specify the number of such legal voters aforesaid residing in each ward of such city," by striking out the last seven words therein and substituting therefor the words, "in such detail as the Legislature shall prescribe ;"

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending sections 80 and 222 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so as to require the appointment of tellers in all cases to assist in checking, assorting or counting the votes ;

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, in which provision is made for the representation among election officers of the voters who do not belong to either of the two leading political parties ; and

On an order relative to providing that all voters asking assistance in marking their ballots shall be assisted by the deputy inspectors, who shall act as instructors to voters in such cases ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations by caucus or by nomination papers, so as to more clearly define the caucus at which such nomination may be made and to increase the number of signatures of voters required on such papers ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Perry P. Brightman and others, that the county commissioners of Bristol County may be authorized to build a bridge and highway over Westport River, from Westport Point to Horse Neck ;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 214 of the Acts

sidered. Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following words: "But in any one cause of action the damages so appraised shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars." After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 54 to 37.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, at five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 27, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Emery of Taunton,
a member of the House.*Message from the Governor.*

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A petition, presented by Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, of Alpheus B. Alger, mayor of the city of Cambridge, for legislation authorizing the city of Cambridge to borrow money and issue bonds therefor in excess of its debt limit, for the purpose of constructing a bridge across Charles River, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Henderson, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Cam-
bridge,—bridge
over Charles
River.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on the Treasury, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference.

Carney
Hospital.

Reports :

Special legisla-
tion.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on that portion of the Governor's address relating to special legislation which was referred to them ; and

Intoxicating
liquors, — local
option law.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the Public Statutes so that the local option law shall be repealed and a prohibitory statute be enacted ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

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A report of the committee on Military Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Adjutant-General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg.

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food and drugs.

A report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Health on the inspection of food and drugs for the year ending Sept. 30, 1890, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens of Boston.

Reports :

Eight-hour law.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation making eight hours constitute a day's work ; also to providing that said act shall be submitted to the people at the next annual State election, and shall not take effect unless agreed to by a majority of the voters voting thereon at said election ;

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tions to licenses.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that when an owner of real estate, within twenty-five feet of premises described in an application for a license to sell intoxicating liquor, has filed an objection to the granting of such license, it shall be final, and the licensing board shall not allow such objection to be withdrawn ; and

Suffolk County,
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Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 282 of the Acts of the year 1886, relative to the establishment of schools for truants and absentees from school in the county of Suffolk at places removed from institutions occupied by criminal or vicious

persons, by inserting in the fourth line of said section the word "adult," before the words "criminal or vicious persons ;"

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock (reported on a petition) ; and

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Use of machinery in the State Prison, reformatories and houses of correction.

A Bill relating to the appointment of inspectors of milk, vinegar, provisions, and animals intended for slaughter, in the city of Boston, came down recommitted to the committee on Public Health, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston, — inspectors of milk, vinegar, provisions, and animals intended for slaughter.

A Bill relating to the watering of streets in towns was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule.

Watering of streets in towns.

The House petition of the mayor and city solicitor of Taunton, for authority to grant and donate to the United States land of said city for a post-office building, according to certain acts of Congress relating thereto, referred by the House to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, and referred in non-concurrence to the committee on Federal Relations. On motion of Mr. Mott of Taunton,

City of Taunton, — donation of land for a post-office building.

the House receded from its reference to the committee on Cities and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Federal Relations, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

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By Mr. Ensign of Watertown, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of chapter 132 of the Public Statutes, relating to the notice of appointment of executors and administrators, and amendments thereof; and amending section 9 of chapter 136 of the Public Statutes, relating to the limitation of actions against executors and administrators.

Elections, — omission of names from voting lists.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to requiring boards of registrars of voters to give notice of the omission of names from the register of voters or voting lists.

Collection of taxes.

By Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to codifying the laws relating to the collection of taxes.

Division of poll-taxes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all taxes for State, county, town or city purposes be assessed upon polls and estates, and that the amount of the collective poll-taxes, not exceeding two dollars for each poll, be divided between these three classes of taxes in proportion to their several amounts.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

State Farm at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Registration of voters.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to insure a more thorough registration of voters.

New York and New England Railroad, — stations at Norwood.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Railroads, on petitions, a Bill in relation to the stations of the New York and New England Railroad in Norwood called Norwood central station and Norwood station.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Hanover with water and for other purposes. (Mr. Wyer, of the Senate, and Mr. Howe of Gardner, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Hanover, — water supply.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Repeal House Rule No. 28.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to repeal Rule 28 of the rules of the House, and moved to lay the motion to repeal on the table, which motion was lost by a vote of 46 to 71. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Waterman of Hanover, the motion to repeal the rule was lost.

House Rule No. 28.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Johnson of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill relating to the recovery of damages for personal injuries caused by dogs, which motion, after debate, was lost by a vote of 65 to 88.

Damages for personal injuries caused by dogs.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing the widow or next of kin of persons not employees, injured and dying instantaneously by reason of the carelessness or negligence of a third person, to recover damages for such injuries, was taken from the table, and was accepted.

Employers' liability.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, for the passage of an act authorizing the payment of a suitable salary to the members of the common council of said city, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston, — salaries of members of the common council.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the Bill in addition to an act to provide for laying out a highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee was discharged from the

Bridge between Holyoke and Chicopee.

orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 7, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against savings banks ;

To authorize the city of Waltham to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the refunding of its water debt ; and

Codifying and amending the laws relating to the alewife fishery in Herring River in the town of Bourne ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To revive the powers of and extend the time for building the railroad of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Providing for the repairs on a certain school-house in the town of Gay Head (which originated in the House) ; and

Relative to printing an edition of the atlas maps of Massachusetts as prepared and engraved by the Geological Survey (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court :

Orders of the day.

On an order relative to requiring petitions for legislation by corporations to be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a certain time before the same are introduced in the General Court ;

On an order relative to legislation to protect seamen from impositions practised upon them by boarding-house keepers and others ; and

On an order relative to providing for the appointment of commissioners to consolidate and arrange all the general statutes of the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the discharge of debts by wage earners, and a petition in aid of the same ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending Article XXI. of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth in the part reading, "and in each city said enumeration shall specify the number of such legal voters aforesaid residing in each ward of such city," by striking out the last seven words therein and substituting therefor the words, "in such detail as the Legislature shall prescribe ;"

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending sections 80 and 222 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so as to require the appointment of tellers in all cases to assist in checking, assorting or counting the votes ;

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, in which provision is made for the representation among election officers of the voters who do not belong to either of the two leading political parties ; and

On an order relative to providing that all voters asking assistance in marking their ballots shall be assisted by the deputy inspectors, who shall act as instructors to voters in such cases ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations by caucus or by nomination papers, so as to more clearly define the caucus at which such nomination may be made and to increase the number of signatures of voters required on such papers ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Perry P. Brightman and others, that the county commissioners of Bristol County may be authorized to build a bridge and highway over Westport River, from Westport Point to Horse Neck ;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 214 of the Acts

of 1887, relating to insurance, by striking out in the standard form of policy the words "which amount if not agreed upon shall be ascertained by award of referees, as hereinafter provided";

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton and David Taylor, relative to the establishment of a minimum wage for all trades and all wage workers; and

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of 1890, concerning the abolition of grade crossings, so that when grades are separated and the public way crosses a railroad by an overhead bridge, the expense of maintaining and keeping the surface of the bridge in repair shall be borne by the railroad company;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the relief of soldiers and sailors and the widows and minor children of soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States during the war of the rebellion, so as to provide that the choice of an attending physician, in case such relief is furnished, may be made by the beneficiary assisted under the said act, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

Changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm are required to make their annual report;

Conferring additional jurisdiction upon the Superior Court;

To define certain respective powers of road commissioners and of selectmen;

To extend the limits of the Foxborough water supply district and change its boundaries;

To authorize the city of Holyoke to incur a debt outside of its limit of indebtedness; and

To amend section 25 of chapter 413 of the Acts of the year 1889, relative to assistance to voters; and

Resolves:

In favor of Alonzo D. Fisher;

In favor of Isaac D. Pease; and

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to confirm proceedings of town meetings heretofore held during the present year was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend section 5 of chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to associations for charitable and other purposes ;

To provide for the apportionment of the expense of constructing a certain highway in the city of Salem and town of Peabody ;

To amend section 2 of chapter 309 of the Acts of the year 1889, concerning the better protection of infants ;

To amend section 45 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, relating to the discharge of mechanics' liens ;

To amend section 115 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to the licensing of shows ;

Concerning the Association for the Protection of Destitute Roman Catholic Children in Boston ;

To amend section 28 of chapter 162 of the Public Statutes, relating to recognizances in poor debtor proceedings ;

To prevent excessive charges in the redemption of tax titles ;

To authorize the rebuilding and extension of the draw-fender-pier of the Newburyport bridge, between the city of Newburyport and the town of Salisbury ;

To amend sections 9 and 10 of chapter 205 of the Public Statutes, relating to offences against public justice ; and

To incorporate the State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company ; and

Resolves :

Providing for furnishing the new cottage, and for additional hospital accommodations at the Lyman School for Boys ; and

Granting an allowance to the 35th Massachusetts Regiment Association ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, at nine minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned, the House having previously voted to rescind, for to-day, the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at half-past two o'clock.

MONDAY, March 30, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following remonstrances were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Fales of Norfolk, of the Norfolk Woolen Company; by Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, of the Cordaville Woolen Company; by Mr. Greene of North Andover, of the North Andover Mills; and by Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, of the Merrimac Hat Company,—severally, against the propositions now pending to further reduce the hours of labor in the factories of this State.

Hours of labor
in factories.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Whitney of North Attleborough, of the Attleborough Savings Bank, that it may be reimbursed by the Commonwealth for taxes paid in excess of the amount due, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Whitney, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Attleborough
Savings Bank.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the question of reference of the petition of the mayor of Boston, relative to building a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston Flats and the payment of a portion of the expense by the Commonwealth, recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Cities and the committee on

City of Boston,
—South Boston
Flats.

Harbors and Public Lands, sitting jointly, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill.

Reports :

Woodchucks.

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling the payment by towns and counties of uniform bounties for the extermination of woodchucks or ground hogs ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

Elections, —
check-lists in
town meetings.

On an order relative to amending section 98 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to require the preservation of check-lists used in town meetings held for the election of town officers in the same manner that check-lists used at State elections are required to be preserved ; and

Elections, —
election officers.

On an order relative to amending section 123 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so that election officers shall give no information either written or oral of the state of the polls ;

Merrimack
River, — fish-
eries.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the time for the taking of shad and alewives in the Merrimack River ;

Insurance, —
policy-holders.

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 119 of the Public Statutes, relative to insurance companies and insurance, so as to provide that in case of loss by fire of the property insured in a policy by an insurance company, the person in whose behalf the property is insured may recover the full amount for which the property was insured from said company ; and

Soldiers and
sailors, — deco-
ration of graves
by cities and
towns on
Memorial Day.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic, the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors, who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion, to be registered and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To extend the limits of the Middleborough Fire District (reported on a petition) ; Middleborough Fire District.

To further regulate the borrowing of money by the city of Boston ; and City of Boston, — borrowing of money.

Relating to stables in cities ;
(Severally reported on an order) ; and
Resolves :

In favor of the widow of the late Robert C. Pitman (being a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate) ; Widow of the late Robert C. Pitman.

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives (reported, in part, on an order) ; and Constitutional amendment, — qualification of voters.

Providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of a reimbursement of the direct tax levy, as authorized by an act of Congress approved March 2 in the year 1891 (reported on a message from the Governor relating to the direct tax) ; Collection of moneys by States and territories levied under the direct tax in 1861.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House orders : —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted until April 7 in which to report on matters before them. Committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance be granted until April 8 to report on matters before them. Committee on Insurance.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted until April 13 in which to report upon matters referred to them. Committee on Water Supply.

A petition of William J. Hume, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. William J. Hume.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, from the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to education. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, and sent up for concurrence. Education.

Report of Harbor and Land Commissioners, — boundary line between city of Gloucester and towns of Essex and Ipswich.

By Mr. Shaw of New Bedford, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners as relates to the boundary lines between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Shaw, and sent up for concurrence.

Boston harbor, — marking of rocks and bars.

By Mr. Tibbetts of Lynn, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the marking of rocks, bars and places dangerous to yachts in and about Boston harbor, so as to secure greater protection for small boats. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Taunton, — donation of land for post-office building.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, from the committee on Federal Relations, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to grant and donate land to the United States for a post-office building.

Town of West Tisbury.

By Mr. Weston of Hingham, from the committee on Towns, on petitions, a Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury.

Cambridge and Belmont, — division line.

By Mr. Reid of Reading, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to readjust the division lines between the city of Cambridge and the town of Belmont.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Distribution of the report of the Statistics of Manufactures.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill providing for the printing and distribution of the report of Statistics of Manufactures ought to pass.

Distribution of the reports of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill in relation to the printing and distribution of the reports of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ought to pass.

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the disposition of certain money received by the Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Commonwealth from the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners ought to pass.

Distribution of the supplement to the Public Statutes.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for a further distribution of the supplement to the Public Statutes ought to pass.

James H. Sears.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of James H. Sears ought to pass.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for printing the third annual report of the State Pension Agent ought to pass. Report of the State Pension Agent.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Hartshorn of Norwood, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (recommitted) to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Salary of the second clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories was taken from the table. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs. Purchase and distribution of regimental histories.

On motion of Mr. Peterson of Whitman, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Eugene H. Clapp and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in the town of Marshfield, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Railroad from Weymouth to Marshfield.

On motions of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation regulating the procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 6, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day. Procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics or laborers who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 6, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day. Liens.

Discharged from the Orders.

Constitutional
amendments,—
equal repre-
sentation for
the election of
Senators and
Representa-
tives.

• On motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry, for the adoption of a system of equal representation for the election of Senators and Representatives, and the petition of the First Nationalist Club of Boston in aid of the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Parker moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the election of Senators and Representatives," pending which, and pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court.

Practice of
medicine.

On motion of Mr. Frazer of Boston, the Bill to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of practitioners was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading Mr. Quincy of Quincy raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the order on which it was reported, for the reason that the order related merely to regulating the practice of medicine while the bill contemplated legislation concerning not only the practice of medicine, but the practice of surgery or the healing art in any form. The Chair ruled that the word "medicine" signified "that branch of science which relates to the prevention, cure or alleviation of the diseases of the human body" and covered all subdivisions of the healing art, and therefore ruled that the point was not well taken.

Point of order.

Id.

Mr. Quincy raised the further point of order that the bill was beyond the scope of the order, which related to the regulation of the practice of medicine by the registration of medical degrees, for the reason that it contemplated legislation requiring the registration not only of medical degrees but of certain facts pertaining to the training and qualifications of practitioners who had not received medical degrees. The Chair declared the point of order well taken.

On motion of Mr. Hodges of Nahant, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

On motion of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, the Bill relating to the punishment for drunkenness was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 7, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Drunkenness.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Malden, the Bill to require an affidavit in petitions for administration of estates of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Administration of estates of deceased persons.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the Bill to amend an act to establish a Board of Registration in Pharmacy was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time. Mr. Stevens of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 8, by inserting after the word "committed," the words "on the written request of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy;" also by inserting the same words in line 17 of the same section after the word "committed." Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To incorporate the Dorchester Historical Society;

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year;

Relating to sittings of the superior court for the county of Barnstable; and

Relating to copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the northern district of the county of Bristol;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :
In favor of Patrick Buckley ; and
Granting county taxes ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and
Authorizing the county of Plymouth to pay certain
money to the widow of Francis M. Vaughan (which
originated in the Senate) ;
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of chapter 132 of the Public Statutes, relating to the notice of appointment of executors and administrators, and amendments thereof, and amending section 9 of chapter 136 of the Public Statutes, relating to the limitation of actions against executors and administrators, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts, for legislation permitting cities to erect dwelling-houses and let the same at a rental ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to codifying the laws relating to the collection of taxes ; and

On an order relative to providing that all taxes for State, county, town or city purposes be assessed upon polls and estates, and that the amount of the collective poll-taxes, not exceeding two dollars for each poll, be divided between these three classes of taxes in proportion to their several amounts ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to passing an act making eight hours constitute a day's work ; also to providing that said act shall be submitted to the people at the next annual State election, and shall not take effect unless agreed to by a majority of the voters voting thereon at said election ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that when an owner of real estate, within twenty-five feet of premises

described in an application for a license to sell intoxicating liquor, has filed an objection to the granting of such license, it shall be final, and the licensing board shall not allow such objection to be withdrawn; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 282 of the Acts of the year 1886, relative to the establishment of schools for truants and absentees from school in the county of Suffolk at places removed from institutions occupied by criminal or vicious persons, by inserting in the fourth line of said section the word "adult" before the words "criminal or vicious persons";

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

Providing for the payment to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of fines collected in all cases of prosecution by said society;

To amend an act relating to declarations of dividends of fire, marine and fire and marine stock companies;

Relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language;

Relating to rights of joint owners in personal property;

Relating to the conveyance of real estate in cases of disseisin;

To authorize the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company to purchase, lease and operate the Deerfield Valley Railroad in the State of Vermont, or to consolidate its railroad therewith, to increase its capital stock, to issue bonds, and for other purposes;

To amend the law relating to the weekly payment of wages;

To supply the town of Hanover with water and for other purposes;

In relation to the stations of the New York and New England Railroad in Norwood, called Norwood Central station and Norwood station; and

To insure a more thorough registration of voters; and the

Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the "Order of Nine Hundred Dollars" to change its corporate name was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend section 19 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes, relating to the care and education of neglected children, was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, referred to the next General Court.

The Resolution relating to couplers and brakes on freight cars was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Whereas, From the last published statistics of the railways in the United States, being for the year ending on the thirtieth of June, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, it appears that three hundred employees were killed and six thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven injured in that year in coupling and uncoupling cars, being fifty-six per cent. of all the accidents happening to train men, and practically all these accidents can be avoided by the adoption of uniform automatic couplers for freight cars, and

Whereas, Five hundred and fifty-eight employees were killed and two thousand three hundred and seven injured by overhead obstructions or by falling from trains and engines, being twenty-three per cent. of all the accidents happening to train men, and a large proportion of these accidents would be avoided by the adoption of the train brake on freight trains, and

Whereas, The regulation of couplers and of train brakes upon freight cars is of pressing importance and is within the proper scope of the powers of the Congress of the United States, while action by the individual States on these subjects has produced and must continue to produce conflicting and unsatisfactory results, and

Whereas, At the convention of Railroad Commissioners lately held in Washington at the rooms of the interstate commerce commission, upon motion emanating from the Board of Railroad Commissioners of this State, a resolution was unanimously adopted providing for the appointment of a committee of five to appear before Congress as soon as possible after the opening of its next regular session and urge the passage of measures calculated to insure and hasten the adoption of uniform automatic couplers and train brakes upon freight cars and of driving-wheel brakes on engines,

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court as—

sembled, approving of the action of its Board of Railroad Commissioners, do most respectfully and earnestly urge upon Congress the consideration of the foregoing subjects to the end that the consummation which all desire may be reached with the utmost reasonable speed; and especially do we urge upon our own representatives in Congress to join energetically in promoting wise, speedy and effective action, and that a committee of one on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House be appointed to convey this resolution to Congress and act in conjunction with the committee appointed at the convention of Railroad Commissioners to urge upon Congress a speedy consideration thereof.

Bills:

Relating to sentences of prisoners in the Massachusetts Reformatory;

To prohibit the employment of prisoners outside their places of confinement;

To amend an act entitled an act to regulate the employment of legislative counsel and agents, and to provide for returns of legislative expenses;

To incorporate the Security Live Stock Insurance Company;

To amend an act relating to the fisheries in Weweantit River;

Relating to the making up and shifting of freight trains and the sounding of locomotive whistles;

To amend section 25 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the compilation of street lists by assessors of taxes;

Changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm are required to make their annual report;

Conferring additional jurisdiction upon the superior court;

To extend the limits of the Foxborough water supply district (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To confirm proceedings of town meetings heretofore held during the present year; and

Resolves:

In favor of Alonzo D. Fisher;

In favor of Isaac D. Pease; and

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up in concurrence.

The Bill relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prevent false representations to overseers of the poor and the State Board of Lunacy and Charity was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 2, to wit: "*Section 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the State Prison was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 3, to wit: "*Section 3.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to report all accidents to the board of aldermen of the city, or the selectmen of the town where such accidents occur, was further considered. Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide for reports of accidents on street railways to the Board of Railroad Commissioners." Mr. White of Worcester raised the point of order that the bill moved as a substitute was broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the order considered by the committee, inasmuch as the order contemplated legislation providing that reports of accidents should be made to the board of aldermen of the city or the selectmen of the town where such accidents occur, and the bill provided that reports should be made to the Board of Railroad Commissioners. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the amendment was ruled out. The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Point of order.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees was read a second time and considered. Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend in section 2, line 1, by inserting, after the word "person," the words "or corporation." After debate the previous question was

ordered, on motion of Mr. Lane of Springfield. The amendment moved by Mr. Moriarty was rejected by a vote of 56 to 58. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 57 yeas to 81 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.
Baker, Charles H.
Barrett, Harry H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brophy, James L.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Chance, Charles J.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Fallon, J. Otis
Fallon, Thomas F.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Golding, John
Gould, David E.
Greene, Edward W.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Herrod, Edward E.
Hobson, Charles H.
Hurley, John T.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Lakin, James A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Luby, Patrick B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.

Messrs. Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Mellen, James H.
Mitchell, Michael J.
Mooney, William L.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Nutting, Arthur F.
O'Brien, John J.
Parker, James O.
Presho, Edward W.
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rady, Andrew J.
Rafferty, Patrick H.
Reid, James
Richardson, Albert W.
Ripley, Samuel E.
Savage, Patrick J.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Swallow, George N.
Tilden, Charles A.
Tilton, Frank B.
Waterman, Eben C.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
Austin, J. Lewis
Bacheller, Charles M.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bingham, Henry T.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.

Messrs. Britton, Henry W.
Brown, George H.
Bullard, Henry B.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Butler, William M.
Carpenter, Erastus P.
Carter, James H.
Child, Daniel R.

Messrs. Clapp, James W.	Messrs. Lane, Hiram B.
Corbett, Myron L.	Lawrence, William B.
Curtis, Francis C.	Longley, Henry C.
Day, Frederick B.	Lord, Lucien
Dewey, Henry S.	Loud, John C.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Monk, Hiram A.
Edson, Nathan	Moore, Charles
Fairbanks, John W.	Mott, Edward
Fales, Nathan H.	Newell, Charles B.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Olmstead, James M.
Gammons, Benjamin	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Giles, Joseph J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Rice, William H.
Goddard, Edward A.	Salter, John J.
Hall, Henry C.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Handley, Aaron C.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Harding, N. Frank	Smith, Charles S.
Hartshorn, James A.	Sohier, William D.
Hemenway, Augustus	Sprague, Charles F.
Horton, Everett S.	Stevens, William S.
Howe, Archibald M.	Taft, Henry G.
Howe, Edward C.	Thurston, Lysander
Howe, S. Augustus	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Hunting, Amos	Tucker, George F.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Johnson, Henry H.	Weston, Thomas
Kemp, Parker J.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Keyes, Charles G.	Whitney, Edwin
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Wilson, William Power
Knowlton, George K.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Knox, James W.	Wright, William J.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	

Yeas, 57; Nays, 81.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac	Messrs. Hutchinson, Isaac P.*
O'Brien, John	Clough, George S.*
Finney, Elkanah*	Wardwell, J. Otis
Smith, Elvin L.	Turner, Henry E.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Loud of Chelsea, at five o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 31, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, of Charles F. Buck and 17 others, citizens of Stoneham, that said town be authorized to aid an extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Ferren, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Boston and
Maine Railroad,
— town of
Stoneham.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Moreau of Spencer, was considered :—

Ordered, That a sub-committee of the committee on Federal Relations, not to exceed five members, be authorized to travel to Chicago to obtain full information respecting the part to be taken by the Commonwealth in the Columbian Fair, as a basis for recommending an appropriation.

Committee on
Federal Relations,
— Columbian Fair.

Mr. White of Worcester moved to amend by striking out the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "three." After debate the question was put on allowing the word "five" to remain in the order, which was carried by a vote of 116 to 21, and the order was adopted by a vote of 124 to 38, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet at one o'clock P.M. to-morrow, and that the Speaker shall declare the House adjourned at half-past two o'clock P.M.

Hour of meeting,
— adjournment.

*Papers from the Senate.***Bills :**

Merrimack
River, —
fisheries.

Superior court,
— trials without
a jury.

Street railways,
— accommoda-
tions for
passengers.

City of
Pittsfield.

Municipal
indebtedness, —
temporary loans
by cities and
towns.

Widow of the
late S. Augustus
Endicott.

Relative to fishing in the Merrimack River ;
Relating to trials in the superior court without a jury
(Mr. Charles of Boston, of the House, dissenting) ;
To provide additional accommodations for passengers

on street railways ;

(Severally reported on an order) ;

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to elect a city engi-
neer (being a new draft of a House “ Bill to amend an act
to incorporate the city of Pittsfield ”) ; and

Relating to temporary loans by cities and towns (being
a new draft of a House “ Bill to amend section 6 of chap-
ter 29 of the Public Statutes relating to municipal indebt-
edness ”) ; and a

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late S. Augustus
Endicott (being a resolve introduced on leave in the
Senate) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were
severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Militia.

Concerning the volunteer militia (reported on orders
and petitions) ; and

State Prison.

To authorize the purchase or taking of additional land
for the State Prison at Boston (reported, in part, on the
report of the Commissioners of Prisons) ; and a

Practice of
pharmacy.

Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law
regulating the practice of pharmacy (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were
severally read and referred, under the rule, to the com-
mittee on Finance.

Murdock Parlor
Grate Company.

A Resolve in favor of the Murdock Parlor Grate Com-
pany, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and
referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

Town of Water-
town, — sewer-
age bonds.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on
Water Supply, asking to be discharged from the further
consideration of the petition of the selectmen of Water-
town, for authority to issue sewerage bonds to the amount
of \$100,000, and recommending that the same be referred
to the committee on Drainage. Read and accepted, and
sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the abstract of the report of the Auditor of the Commonwealth as relates to services and salaries. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Salter, and sent up for concurrence.

Auditor of the Commonwealth,
— salaries and services.

By Mr. Hickox of Williamstown, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommended) of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for legislation for the protection of horses mutilated by docking.

Docking of horses.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the construction of bay windows and other projections on buildings in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— projections on buildings.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to make certain improvements in the Church Street district.

City of Boston,
— Church Street district.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts, for legislation modifying the compulsory school age, requiring school attendance throughout the school year, and providing for manual training.

Schools, —
attendance of children,
manual training.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring insurance companies to pay the full amount of the policy in case of total loss by fire.

Insurance, —
policy-holders.

By Mr. Shaw of New Bedford, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. F. Connor and others, for the passage of a law prohibiting employers from fining their help without due process of law, and sundry petitions in aid of the same.

Fining of help
by employers.

By Mr. Tilton of Natick, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Charles A. Belcher and others, for an act of incorporation as the Monaquot Cemetery.

Monaquot Cemetery.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommended) of the mayor of Chelsea, for the abolition of grade crossings in that city. (Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Chelsea,
— grade crossings.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Gettysburg
battlefield, —
bronze tablet.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, on an order, a Resolve providing for the erection of a bronze tablet on the battlefield at Gettysburg.

City of New
Bedford, —
board of public
works.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill defining certain acts heretofore passed relative to the board of public works for the city of New Bedford.

Supervisors of
elections.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill relative to supervisors of elections.

Lexington Print
Works.

By Mr. Swallow of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Lexington Print Works.

Grade cross-
ings.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, in part, a Bill to promote the abolition of grade crossings.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Towns, — school
superintend-
ents.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the committee on Education, that the Bill (introduced on leave) in addition to an act to aid small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Charles River
Embankment
Company.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill granting an extension of time to the Charles River Embankment Company was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 7, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Constitutional
amendment, —
quorum of the
Senate and
House of Rep-
resentatives.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on agreeing to the article of amendment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 7, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

On motions of Mr. Chance of Boston, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the marking of rocks, bars and places dangerous to yachts in and about Boston harbor, so as to secure greater protection for small boats, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Boston harbor,
— marking of
rocks and bars.

On motions of Mr. Weston of Hingham, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic, the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion to be registered, and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Soldiers and
sailors, — deco-
ration of graves
on Memorial
Day.

On motion of Mr. Mott of Taunton, the Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to grant and donate land to the United States for a post-office building was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Taun-
ton, — donation
of land for a
post-office
building.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Middleborough, the Bill to extend the limits of the Middleborough fire district was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Middleborough
fire district.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to requiring boards of registrars of voters to give notice of the omission of names

Orders of the
day.

from the register of voters or voting lists was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling the payment by towns and counties of uniform bounties for the extermination of woodchucks or ground hogs ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 98 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to require the preservation of check-lists used in town meetings held for the election of town officers in the same manner that check-lists used at State elections are required to be preserved ; and

On an order relative to amending section 123 of chapter 423 of the Acts of 1890, relating to elections, so that election officers shall give no information, either written or oral, of the state of the polls ; and

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 119 of the Public Statutes, relative to insurance companies and insurance, so as to provide that in case of loss by fire of the property insured in a policy by an insurance company, the person in whose behalf the property is insured may recover the full amount for which the property was insured from said company ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock ;

Providing for the printing and distribution of the report of Statistics of Manufactures ;

In relation to the printing and distribution of the reports of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ;

To provide for the disposition of certain money received by the Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Commonwealth from the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners ; and

To further regulate the borrowing of money by the city of Boston ; and

Resolves :

In favor of James H. Sears ;

Providing for printing the third annual report of the State Pension Agent ;

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives ;

In favor of the widow of the late Robert C. Pitman ; and

Providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of a reimbursement of the direct tax levy, as authorized by an act of Congress approved March 2 in the year 1891 ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To legalize certain acts of the town of Cohasset ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town meeting of Nantucket, held in the month of February of the present year ;

To enable the city of Lowell to provide for the removal and relocation of certain railroad tracks within said city ;

Providing for the payment of fees in poor debtor matters ;

Providing for the payment to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of fines collected in all cases of prosecution by said society ;

Relating to rights of joint owners in personal property ;

To authorize the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company to purchase, lease and operate the Deerfield Valley Railroad in the State of Vermont, or to consolidate its railroad therewith, to increase its capital stock, to issue bonds, and for other purposes ;

To supply the town of Hanover with water and for other purposes ; and

In relation to the stations of the New York and New England Railroad, in Norwood, called Norwood Central station and Norwood station ; and the

Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to certain officers in attendance upon the supreme judicial court of the county of Suffolk was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to corporate names was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, striking out in section 1, lines 4 and 5, the words "then existing, or which has existed within three years previously," and inserting in place thereof the following: "established under the laws of, or carrying on business in, this Commonwealth at the time of such organization or within three years previous to such organization;" also adding a new section, to be numbered section 4, as follows: "*Sect. 4.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Holyoke to incur a debt outside of its limit of indebtedness was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment striking out at the end of section 2 the words "and all acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill to authorize the city of Holyoke to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law."

The Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Service.

The Bill to require railroad corporations increasing their capital stock to sell the new shares at public auction was further considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading. On the pending point of order raised by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, that the bill was improperly before the House, for the reason that it contemplated legislation affecting the rights of individuals, and should be based upon a petition, rather than an order, the Speaker ruled as follows:—

**Ruling by the
Speaker.**

The point of order raised by the gentleman from Fitchburg is based on House Rule 30, which reads, "No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition. * * * A committee reporting leave to withdraw

or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof, shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for or amendment of such report." The bill now before the House was substituted by the House for an adverse report made by the committee on Railroads upon an order directing it to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law that all railroads, when granted authority to sell their capital stock, shall sell such stock at public auction.

If this bill "affects the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth," then, technically at least, the bill is out of order. The fact that the committee on Rules, which, under another rule, is directed to ascertain whether such an order as this "complies with the rules of the House and the joint rules of the two branches," did not detect a vital error in this order does not deprive the rights of any member to raise a question as to the essence of the order being in conflict with Rule 30. Neither does the fact that the committee on Railroads failed to report, as was its duty, on that hypothesis, that the order should be referred to the next General Court, deprive any member of that committee or of the House of the right to raise this question. It would seem to be a remarkable sequence of events that, in a matter of this importance, two committees of the House failed to note that the substance of the order should have been presented to it in the form of a petition, and that that flaw was not discovered until so late a day. The rule, however, is explicit, which provides that "no bill shall be in order as a substitute for or amendment to such a report, and that objections to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading."

This rule is an extension of a former rule of the House which provided that no committee shall report by bill or resolve on any matter affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation unless it appears that all parties receive due notice. The intention of both the present and former rule was to protect the rights of individuals and corporations by insuring a proper notice to all parties concerned that such legislation was in contemplation. Under the present rule, provision is made that no legislation of this character shall be reported even after the House has directed a committee to proceed, unless "it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given to all parties interested, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice."

The intention of the rule in its various forms has always been to protect the rights of individuals. This is made clear by the decision given in 1882 by Mr. Speaker Noyes, who allowed a bill to be considered in spite of an apparent violation of the

then rule on two grounds, the chief of which was that "the parties at interest have been heard." This understanding of the reason for the rule is essential, but even on the understanding that, as appears to be the case in the present instance, the parties most interested have been heard, either by themselves or through their representatives, by the committee on Railroads, the Chair would find it difficult to declare that the bill is properly before the House in face of the direct reading of the rule, which reads that "no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for or amendment to such a report," as instanced at the present time. If this legislation affects the rights of individuals or the rights of private or municipal corporations otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, the Chair is of the opinion that the point of order would be well taken. What are these rights? The bill in question proposes to authorize railroad corporations under certain conditions to sell new stock at public auction. The law at present gives to these corporations the right to dispose of such new stock under certain other conditions. It is claimed that to sell such stock at public auction would be to affect the rights of individual stockholders. This can only appear by implication, for the legislation deals only with corporations. It has been held, and the ruling sustained by the House, that a bill to regulate fares does not affect such rights apart from the public interest, although it might be reasoned that such legislation would reduce the revenues of the road. The pending bill, however, does not propose, so far as appears, to affect such rights. It merely provides for a method of disposing of stock. Under the present law it cannot be sold for less than one hundred dollars a share. Under the bill under consideration it cannot be sold for less than that, and may be for much more, but whatever the proceeds of such sale may be, they are paid entirely into the treasury of the corporation. The rights of individual holders of stock in such a corporation cannot for this purpose be separated from the rights of the whole body of stockholders, that is, the corporation itself. The bill changes the present law, which in practice allows a certain portion of the value of such new stock to be paid into the treasury of the railroad and a certain other portion, if such there be, to go to the benefit directly of the individual stockholder. The bill now pending simply brings the entire value of such new stock into the treasury of the corporation. The reading of this rule can hardly be considered in any other way than as having reference to the relations of the State and the corporation. It cannot be carried to the extent of referring to the regulating of details of corporation management when such detail does not affect the right of such corporations and individual stockholders therein, except as it diverts the proceeds of certain sales from the individual to the general treasury of the stockholders. Indeed, in practical

application, it can hardly be claimed that the corporations would be affected, and certainly not adversely, by this legislation when the whole drift of decisions in this body has been to the effect that the individual stockholder is not to be considered as a factor in any regulation of legislation concerning corporations.

This seems to be the inevitable inference, even from the technical reading of the rule; but when all circumstances are considered, it appears that the public generally has been informed of this pending legislation, that it is a subject which attracted the attention of the previous legislature, that public hearings have been given by the committee, and that this question regarding the bearing of the rule was not considered until the time had been passed when it could be remedied, save by a suspension of the rule. In most cases, where orders have been rejected, and bills based upon them on this rule, it has been done at an early stage, when it was still possible under the rule for this same business to be presented in the form of a petition. That time has now elapsed in the present Legislature, and if the Chair should decide that the point of order is well taken, the matter could only again be introduced under a suspension. After a careful consideration, with the lack of direct decisions bearing upon this matter, due to the fact that the rule in its present form has been but recently adopted, the Chair is of the opinion that the bill can hardly be considered as so affecting the rights of corporations or of individuals as apart from the general interest as to come under the rule; that the point of order could well be overruled on that basis, to which is added, in the practical situation of the matter, the knowledge that full hearings have been given, the parties interested fully acquainted with the proposed legislation, and that the order upon which it is based has passed the scrutiny of two committees of the House, one of them especially directed to inquire into its conformity to the rules. In view of these facts, which all have a direct if not a technical bearing on the interpretation of the rule, the principle of which the Chair has sought to make clear, the Chair is of the opinion that the point of order is not well taken.

Mr. McDonald of Pittsfield moved to amend the bill in section 1, line 24, by inserting, after the word "aforesaid," the following words: "and provided further, that when at the time of the passage of the vote aforesaid the value of said shares, determined by the railroad commissioners, exceeds 110 per cent. of the par value, the corporation increasing its capital stock may at its discretion offer the new shares proportionally to its stockholders at the valuation fixed as aforesaid by said commissioners, in which case it shall sell by public auction any shares not taken by its stockholders."

On motion of Mr. Prescho of Boston, it was voted that debate upon the bill and pending amendment be closed at twenty minutes before five o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate the amendment moved by Mr. McDonald was rejected. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 72 yeas to 93 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Messrs. Kilmer, Frederick M.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Knox, James W.
Boodey, Charles H.	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Breen, Daniel F.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Britton, Henry W.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Brophy, James L.	McCarthy, Daniel
Buckley, William P.	McDonald, Peter J.
Burke, James F.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Butler, William M.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Capen, Robert P.	McFarland, Herbert A.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	McKenna, George B.
Carroll, Michael	McLean, Isaac
Chance, Charles J.	McLoughlin, John T.
Charles, Salem D.	McSolla, Richard F.
Clough, George S.	Mellen, James H.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Mooney, William L.
Coffey, John H.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Curtis, Samuel N.	O'Brien, John J.
Edson, Nathan	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Ellis, Edward C.	Pomeroy, John P.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Prescho, Edward W.
Finney, Elkanah	Rady, Andrew J.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Golding, John	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Gould, David E.	Savage, Patrick J.
Greene, Edward W.	Smith, Charles S.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Smith, Elvin L.
Hemenway, Augustus	Sprague, Charles F.
Hinds, John F.	Stearns, William H.
Hobson, Charles H.	Swallow, George N.
Howard, Timothy	Tilden, Charles A.
Howe, Archibald M.	Tucker, George F.
Hunting, Amos	Turner, Charles W.
Judd, Myron H.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Kelly, Charles A.	Waterman, Eben C.
Kemp, Parker J.	Wilson, William Power

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Lane, Hiram B.
Austin, J. Lewis	Lane, Howard G.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Baker, Charles H.	Lawrence, William B.
Barrett, Richard F.	Lewis, James A.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Lord, Lucien
Bingham, Henry T.	Loud, John C.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Luby, Patrick B.
Brooks, Ethan	Marston, Dudley J.
Brown, George H.	McAnally, Frank
Bucklin, Andrew J.	McFethries, John
Bullard, Henry B.	Monk, Hiram A.
Cannon, Patrick	Moore, Charles
Cannon, William	Mott, Edward
Chester, Dwight	Murray, Michael J.
Clapp, James W.	Newell, Charles B.
Clarke, George E.	Oakes, William H.
Corbett, Myron L.	Olmstead, James M.
Danforth, John M.	Parker, James O.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Dyar, Perlie A.	Penney, Alonzo
Emery, S. Hopkins	Perkins, George W.
Fairbanks, John W.	Plummer, John M.
Ferren, Myron J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Prouty, John E. O.
Flood, Nathan B.	Ramage, James
Gale, John A.	Read, Franklin F.
Gammons, Benjamin	Ripley, Samuel E.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Salter, John J.
Haggerty, Roger	Shaw, Charles F.
Handley, Aaron C.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Harding, N. Frank	Sohier, William D.
Hartshorn, James A.	Stevens, William S.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Henderson, Charles W.	Taft, Henry G.
Hinckley, Charles E.	Thurston, Lysander
Horton, Everett S.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Howe, Edward C.	Turner, Henry E.
Howe, S. Augustus	Wardwell, J. Otis
Hurley, John T.	Warren, Bentley W.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Weston, Thomas
Jenkins, Robert B.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Johnson, Henry H.	White, Franklin B.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Whitney, Edwin
Kimball, John W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Kirby, Albert C.	Wright, William J.
Knowlton, George K.	

Yeas, 72 ; Nays, 93.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Wier, Fred N.
 Worcester, Charles F.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Day, Frederick B.*
 Hodges, William D.*
 Longley, Henry C.*
 Reid, James*
 Carpenter, George N.*
 Woodsum, B. Herbert*
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Tilton, Frank B.*
 Barrett, Harry H.*
 Quinn, Patrick J.*
 Quincy, Josiah
 Bennett, Frank P.*
 Hevey, Thomas D.*
 Moreau, Louis E. P.*
 Ensign, Charles S.*
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.*
 Rice, William H.*
 Clark, Louis M.*
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.*
 Carter, James H.*
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Kittredge, Francis W.*
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.

* Present.

The Bill to authorize the Burleigh Tunnel Company to hold meetings in the State of Colorado was further considered. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, at five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 1, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following remonstrances were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. McFarland of Wales, of S. F. Cushman of Monson ; by Mr. Taft of Worcester, of the Hopeville Manufacturing Company and Bigelow & Darling of Worcester ; by Mr. Hinds of Webster, of the Stoneville Worsted Company of Auburn ; by Mr. Wilder of Leominster, of Edward M. Rockwell of Leominster ; by Mr. Handley of Acton, of the Assabet Manufacturing Company of Maynard and of C. W. & A. D. Gleason of Rock Bottom ; by Mr. Moreau of Spencer, of George W. Olney of Cherry Valley ; of John D. Clark, F. A. Blake, Andrew Howarth & Son and others of Rochdale ; and of E. G. Carleton & Sons and others ; by Mr. Hobson of Lowell, of the Lladuck Dye and Print Works and others ; by Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, of the Sterling Mills and others ; by Mr. Thurston of Enfield, of the Swift River Company of Enfield ; by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of the Jefferson Manufacturing Company and of Charles Dawson and others ; by Mr. Judd of South Hadley, of Henry L. James of Williamsburg ; by Mr. Ramage of Holyoke, of Connor Brothers and of the Farr Alpaca Company and others ; and by Mr. Read of Pittsfield, of C. Glennon & Sons and Wilson & Horton of Pittsfield, — severally, against the propositions now pending to further reduce the hours of labor in the factories in this State.

Hours of labor
in factories.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Concord.

A petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of the town of Concord, for an act of incorporation of Trustees of Town Donations, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Barrett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Oriental
Society.

A petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Cambridge, of Archibald M. Howe, that the Oriental Society be authorized to hold its meetings outside the Commonwealth, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Howe, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule : —

Corporations, —
changes in
name.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing that changes in names of corporations may be made by authority of the Commissioner of Corporations, so that special legislation in each case to effect that purpose shall not be necessary.

Game laws.

A Bill relating to evidence in cases of violation of certain game laws (reported on an order, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves :

Boundary line
between Massa-
chusetts and
New Hamp-
shire.

Providing for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire (reported on the report of the commissioners on the boundary line between New Hampshire and Massachusetts) ; and

Gettysburg
battlefield, —
memorial
tablets.

Providing for the erection of memorial tablets on the battlefield of Gettysburg (being a new draft of a resolve introduced on leave in the House) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A remonstrance of the George H. Gilbert Manufacturing Company, against the further reduction of the hours of labor in factories, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor
in factories.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, a Bill relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in the city of Boston. The bill was read. The committee on Rules reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Sohier, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

City of Boston,
—highways.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Mott of Taunton, from the committee on Railroads, asking to be discharged from so much of the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners as relates to street railways, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Street Railways. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of
Railroad Com-
missioners,—
street railways.

By Mr. Longley of Dana, from the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation enabling national banks to reorganize as State banks and trust companies. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

National banks.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to labor legislation, down to the paragraph beginning, "three years ago the Employers' Liability Act was passed." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McEttrick, and sent up for concurrence.

Governor's
address,—labor
legislation.

By Mr. Bliss of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw at their own request, for the reason that the matter has been satisfactorily adjusted between the parties interested, on the petition of Graustein Brothers, for legislation to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to carry out certain recommendations

Graustein
Brothers,—
Boston and
Maine Railroad.

of the Railroad Commissioners relative to the transportation of a milk car belonging to said Graustein Brothers over a portion of the road of said company. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, and sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Weymouth,—
water loan.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Weymouth to make an additional water loan. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Insurance on
the life of
another.

By Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the placing of insurance by one person upon the life of another person, so as to prohibit the effecting of such insurance upon persons under a specified age, and so as to prohibit such insurance upon a person who has no knowledge thereof.

Saturday half-
holiday in man-
ufacturing and
mechanical
establishments.

By Mr. Waterman of Hanover, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Hours of labor
of women and
minors in manu-
facturing and
mechanical
establishments.

By Mr. Atkins of Plainfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the hours of labor of women and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments so that they shall not be employed more than fifty-six hours a week.

Taxation of
incomes.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. W. K. Eastman, for a graduated income tax to be levied upon all persons having an income of more than \$2,000 a year.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Friday.

City of Gloucester,—250th
anniversary.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Gloucester to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its settlement as a town.

Shade trees on
the highways.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, on an order, a Resolve providing for nails or spikes for designating certain trees on highways for preservation.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to establish a registry of deeds at Fall River.

Fall River, —
registry of
deeds.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Labor, on an order and petitions, a Bill constituting eight hours a day's work for State, county, city and town employees.

Eight-hour law.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, on petitions, a Bill to incorporate the Exeter and Amesbury Railroad Company.

Exeter and
Amesbury Rail-
road Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, in part, a Bill to prevent accidents to trespassers on railroad tracks.

Trespassers on
railroads.

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By Mr. Nutting of Northampton, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Easthampton with water.

Town of East-
hampton, —
water supply.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the shareholders in the Falmouth Highlands Trust to take water from Long Pond in Falmouth.

Falmouth High-
lands Trust.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (recommitted) to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties, ought to pass, with the following amendments: Strike out section 1, to wit: "*Section 1.* All persons, companies and corporations owning and operating sleeping-cars in this Commonwealth are hereby declared common carriers;" also strike out the title and insert in place thereof the following: "Bill to require upper berths in sleeping-cars to be kept closed in certain cases." (Messrs. Turner of Malden and Parker of Methuen, of the House, present and dissenting.) Placed in the orders of the day for Friday, the question being on the engrossment of the bill.

Upper berths in
sleeping-cars.

By Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Resolve to provide for certain changes in the Normal Art School building.

Normal Art
School.

By Mr. Pomeroy of Great Barrington, from the committee on Labor, on a petition, a Bill to promote the establishment of benevolent building associations.

Benevolent
building asso-
ciations.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Administration
of estates of
deceased per-
sons.

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the Bill to require an affidavit in petitions for administration of estates of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommit-
mitted to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Bridge from
East Boston to
Boston proper.

On motions of Mr. Keliher of Boston, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to with-
draw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to build a bridge from the city proper to East Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recom-
mitted to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Motion to Reconsider.

Railroad cor-
porations, —
sale of capital
stock at public
auction.

Mr. Gould of Chelsea moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to require railroad corporations increasing their capital stock to sell their new shares at public auc-
tion. After debate, Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table. On this question, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. McEtrick of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 84 yeas to 123 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brophy, James L.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Butler, William M.
Cannon, Patrick
Carpenter, Erastus P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.

Messrs. Child, Daniel R.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Coffey, John H.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Edson, Nathan
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fales, Nathan H.
Finney, Elkanah
Gardner, Arthur H.
Gould, David E.
Greene, Edward W.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Herrod, Edward E.

Messrs. Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mooney, William L.

Messrs. Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Swallow, George N.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilson, William Power
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Worcester, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brown, George H.
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Cannon, William
 Carter, Richard A.

Messrs. Chester, Dwight
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clarke, George E.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.

Messrs. Gammons, Benjamin	Messrs. Mott, Edward
Giles, Joseph J.	Murray, Michael J.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Newell, Charles B.
Goddard, Edward A.	Oakes, William H.
Hall, Henry C.	O'Brien, John
Harding, N. Frank	Olmstead, James M.
Harriman, Charles H.	Parker, James O.
Hartshorn, James A.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Penney, Alonzo
Henderson, Charles W.	Perkins, George W.
Hobson, Charles H.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Horton, Everett S.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howard, S. Edward	Prouty, John E. O.
Howe, S. Augustus	Ramage, James
Hurley, John T.	Rice, William H.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Richardson, Albert W.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Johnson, Henry H.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Salter, John J.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Kimball, John W.	Shaw, Charles F.
Kirby, Albert C.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Kittredge, Francis W.	Sohier, William D.
Knowlton, George K.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lane, Hiram B.	Stevens, William S.
Lane, Howard G.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Taft, Henry G.
Lawrence, William B.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Leslie, Horace G.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Lewis, James A.	Thurston, Lysander
Lord, Lucien	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Loud, John C.	Turner, Henry E.
Luby, Patrick B.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Luther, Haile R.	Warren, Bentley W.
Marston, Dudley J.	Weston, Thomas
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Wheaton, Henry C.
McAnally, Frank	White, Franklin B.
McFethries, John	Whitney, Edwin
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Meade, William E.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Monk, Hiram A.	Wright, William J.
Moore, Charles	

Yeas, 84; Nays, 123.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced: —

YEA.

Mr. Hunting, Amos*

NAY.

Mr. Read, Franklin F.

On the question on reconsideration the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 90 yeas to 109 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brophy, James L.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Butler, William M.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Coffey, John H.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Golding, John
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Hunting, Amos
 Judd, Myron H.

Messrs. Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Swallow, George N.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Charles W.

Messrs. Waterman, Eben C.	Messrs. Withington, Nathan N.
Wier, Fred N.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Wilson, William Power	Worcester, Charles F.

NATS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Hodges, William D.
Appleton, Francis H.	Horton, Everett S.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Howard, S. Edward
Austin, J. Lewis	Howe, S. Augustus
Bacheller, Charles M.	Hurley, John T.
Baker, Charles H.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Barrett, Richard F.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Johnson, Henry H.
Bingham, Henry T.	Kenrick, John, Jr.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Kimball, John W.
Bright, Elmer H.	Kirby, Albert C.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Brooks, Ethan	Knowlton, George K.
Brown, George H.	Lane, Hiram B.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Lane, Howard G.
Bullard, Henry B.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Cannon, William	Lawrence, William B.
Chester, Dwight	Leslie, Horace G.
Clapp, James W.	Lewis, James A.
Clark, Louis M.	Lord, Lucien
Clarke, George E.	Loud, John C.
Converse, Morton E.	Luby, Patrick B.
Corbett, Myron L.	Luther, Haile R.
Danforth, John M.	Marston, Dudley J.
Davis, Squire S.	McAnally, Frank
Dewey, Henry S.	Monk, Hiram A.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Moore, Charles
Emery, S. Hopkins	Murray, Michael J.
Fairbanks, John W.	Newell, Charles B.
Ferren, Myron J.	Oakes, William H.
Fears, Isaac P.	O'Brien, John
Fletcher, Charles T.	Olmstead, James M.
Flood, Nathan B.	Parker, James O.
Gale, John A.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Gammons, Benjamin	Penney, Alonzo
Giles, Joseph J.	Perkins, George W.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Hall, Henry C.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Harding, N. Frank	Prouty, John E. O.
Harriman, Charles H.	Ramage, James
Hartshorn, James A.	Rice, William H.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Henderson, Charles W.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Salter, John J.

Messrs. Sawyer, Samuel L.	Messrs. Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Shaw, Charles F.	Turner, Henry E.
Shaw, Ebenezer	Wardwell, J. Otis
Sohier, William D.	Warren, Bentley W.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Weston, Thomas
Stevens, William S.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Sullivan, Michael F.	White, Franklin B.
Taft, Henry G.	Whitney, Edwin
Thomas, Harrison O.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Thompson, Edwin D.	Wright, William J.
Thurston, Lysander	

Yeas, 90 ; Nays, 109.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Savage, Patrick J.*	Messrs. Carter, Richard A.
Tuttle, William H. H.	Goddard, Edward A.*
Smith, Elvin L.*	Mott, Edward
Nutting, Arthur F.	Williams, Hezekiah W.*

* Present.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to extend the limits of the Middle- Bill enacted.
borough fire district (which originated in the Senate)
was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

At twenty-five minutes before three o'clock the House
adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 3, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. William H. Brooks of Boston.

Opinion from the Attorney-General.

Opinion of the Attorney-General, — contested election, seventh Suffolk representative district.

A communication was received from the Attorney-General, in response to an order adopted by the House of Representatives March 23, submitting his opinion upon the questions of law in relation to the contested election in the seventh Suffolk representative district, which was referred to the committee on Elections.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Hours of labor in factories.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, of Charles U. Bacon and others; by Mr. Flood of North Adams, of the Blackinton Woolen Company; by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of James Ingalls and of the Knitted Fabrics Company and others; by Mr. Bullard of Sutton, of the Crane & Waters Manufacturing Company, and of Henry M. Wilcox and others; and by Mr. Pomeroy of Great Barrington, of Truesdells & Sons, — severally, against the propositions now pending to further reduce the hours of labor in the factories of this State.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Taxation of personal property.

Petition, presented by Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, of L. J. Webster and others; and by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of P. W. Stevens and 78 others, — severally, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Court City of Lawrence
No. 6679,

A petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Lawrence, of Court City of Lawrence No. 6679, Ancient Order of

Foresters Friendly Society, for a change of name, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Carter, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Ancient Order
of Foresters
Friendly Soci-
ety.

A petition, presented by Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, of the selectmen and water commissioners of Braintree, for an act enabling said town to carry out an award made under the provisions of the act to incorporate the Braintree Water Supply Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Woodsum, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of
Braintree.

Mr. Hunting of East Bridgewater presented a copy of a petition signed by the representative officers of the several State temperance organizations, remonstrating against any legislation tending to weaken existing laws for the regulation of the traffic in intoxicating liquor, and in favor of an act making certain the definition of the existing law prohibiting saloons and bar-rooms. Placed on file.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to authorize any city or town to lease its public buildings or a part thereof to veteran firemen's associations (being a new draft of a House "Bill to enable cities and towns to lease quarters in their public buildings to veteran firemen's associations"), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Veteran fire-
men's associa-
tions.

A Resolve to provide for the erection of a statue of the late Charles Devens (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Statue of the
late Charles
Devens.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the abandonment of the Ironstone station, and to establish a new station at South Uxbridge on the New York and New England Railroad, came down with the endorsement that it had been returned to the Senate by the Governor at its request, that its enactment had been reconsidered, and

New York and
New England
Railroad,—
station at South
Uxbridge.

Public build-
ings and school-
houses, — sani-
tary provisions
and ventilation.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, the Bill to amend chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to sanitary provisions and ventilation, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

Governor's
staff.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Malden, the Bill relative to appointments on the Governor's staff was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Chelsea,
— grade cross-
ing.

On motions of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of the mayor of Chelsea, for the abolition of grade crossings in that city, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Direct tax.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway of Canton, the Resolve providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of a reimbursement of the direct tax levy, as authorized by an act of Congress approved March 2 in the year 1891, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Relating to the promotion of anatomical science ;

Relating to notice of diseases dangerous to public health ;

Authorizing the fire district of the town of Dalton to issue additional water bonds ;

To authorize the North Easton Village district to issue additional water bonds, notes or scrip ;

To provide for the returns of prison expenses ;

To authorize foreign life insurance companies to transact the business of accident insurance ; and

To change the name of the Congregational Society of Amesbury and Salisbury Mills Village ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the distribution of the school fund ;

Relating to certain officers in attendance upon the supreme judicial court for the county of Suffolk ; and

Relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for a new insane asylum and for certain repairs and improvements at the State Almshouse ; Resolves passed.

To provide for refunding certain taxes assessed against the Waltham Savings Bank ; and

Providing for furniture and machinery at the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Providing for the acceptance by the Commonwealth of a reimbursement of the tax levy, as authorized by an act of Congress approved March 2, 1891 (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts, for legislation modifying the compulsory school age requiring school attendance throughout the school year and providing for manual training ; Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court :

On an order relative to the construction of bay windows and other projections on buildings in the city of Boston ; and

On the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to make certain improvements in the Church Street district ;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to requiring insurance companies

to pay the full amount of the policy in case of total loss by fire ; and

On an order relative to the placing of insurance by one person upon the life of another person, so as to prohibit the effecting of such insurance upon persons under a specified age, and so as to prohibit such insurance upon a person who has no knowledge thereof ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to establishing a Saturday half-holiday for persons employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments ; and

On an order relative to reducing the hours of labor of women and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments so that they shall not be employed more than fifty-six hours a week ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. F. Connor and others, for the passage of a law prohibiting employers from fining their help without due process of law ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Charles A. Belcher and others, for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to relocate the ward line between Ward 3 and Ward 7 in said city ;

Defining certain acts heretofore passed relative to the board of public works for the city of New Bedford ;

To incorporate the Lexington Print Works ;

To supply the town of Easthampton with water ;

To authorize the shareholders in the Falmouth Highlands Trust to take water from Long Pond in Falmouth ;

To incorporate the Exeter and Amesbury Railroad Company ;

To establish a registry of deeds at Fall River ; and

To authorize the city of Gloucester to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its settlement as a town ; and

Resolves :

Providing for nails or spikes for designating certain trees on highways for preservation ;

Providing for a further distribution of the supplement to the Public Statutes ; and

In favor of the widow of the late S. Augustus Endicott ;
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize certain street railway companies in Wareham to purchase and hold the property rights and franchises of and to unite and consolidate with each other ;

To authorize the city of Quincy to construct a system of sewerage ;

To amend section 25 of chapter 413 of the Acts of the year 1889, relative to assistance to voters ;

Relating to the conveyance of real estate in cases of disseisin ;

To amend an act relating to declarations of dividends of fire, marine and fire and marine stock companies ; and

To amend the law relating to the weekly payment of wages ; and

Resolves :

In favor of James H. Sears ; and

Providing for printing the third annual report of the State Pension Agent ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Providing for the printing and distribution of the report of Statistics of Manufactures ;

In relation to the printing and distribution of the reports of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ; and

To provide for the disposition of certain money received by the Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Commonwealth from the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Robert C. Pitman ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Burleigh Tunnel Company to hold meetings in the State of Colorado, being the unfinished business of Tuesday, was, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, postponed for further consideration until Monday, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by the clerks of courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend in section 2, lines 5 and 6, by striking out the words "the auditor of said city," and inserting in place thereof the word "him"; also by inserting in section 3, line 4, after the word "act," the words "which are required to account to the city of Boston." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the city of Lowell to take land for burial-grounds and providing for their management was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization, was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the fees for naturalization, was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay," which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act to establish a Board of Registration in Pharmacy was, on motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day

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for that day, pending the amendments previously moved by Mr. Stevens, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The Bill to define certain respective powers of road commissioners and of selectmen was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, the House,—

At half-past two o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, April 6, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

Expenses of
committees of
the General
Court.

A communication was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms submitting, in compliance with Joint Rule No. 3, a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending March 31, 1891, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 375). Placed on file.

Petitions.

Registration
of medical
degrees.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of Elizabeth E. Standish and 29 others, against any legislation to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of medical degrees, was referred to the committee on Public Health, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Subterranean
railways in the
counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

A petition, presented by Mr. Turner of Malden, of Charles C. Blanchard and 34 others, in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

German-Ameri-
can Singing
Society.

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the German-American Singing Society for authority to hold real estate ; and

Elections, —
markers or
checkers at
polling places.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to forbidding or regulating the presence of markers or checkers, so called, at or within a certain distance from the polling places ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Printing and distribution of certain public documents.

A Bill relating to paper for public records, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Paper for public records.

The House Bill relating to the watering of streets in cities came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Watering of streets in cities.

The House Resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to collect certain statistics, and inquire into the subject of pensioning railroad employees injured in the discharge of their duty, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out, at the end thereof, the words, "the laws or customs existing in other States or countries as to the pensioning of railway employees injured while in discharge of duty." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Pensioning of railroad employees.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of the Attleborough Savings Bank, that it may be reimbursed by the Commonwealth for taxes paid in excess of the amount due, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Attleborough Savings Bank.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill relating to the annual appropriation for food and drug inspection ought to pass in a new draft with the title "Bill in addition to an act relating to the adulteration of food and drugs."

Adulteration of food and drugs.

By Mr. Lewis of Fairhaven, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, in part, a Bill in addition to an act in relation to the conservation of the Connecticut River.

Conservation of the Connecticut River.

Mystic River
Corporation.

¶ By Mr. McNamara of Boston, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, in part, a Bill in further addition to an act relating to the Mystic River Corporation.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Gettysburg
battlefield,—
memorial
tablets.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for the erection of memorial tablets on the battlefield of Gettysburg ought to pass.

Machinery for
the State prison,
reformatories
and houses of
correction.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the use of machinery in the State prison, reformatories and houses of correction ought to pass. (Messrs. Peterson of Whitman and Crowley of Boston, dissenting.)

State prison at
Boston,—
additional land.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the State prison at Boston ought to pass.

Volunteer
militia.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill concerning the volunteer militia ought to pass.

School superin-
tendents.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Bill in addition to an act to aid small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents ought to pass.

Simon E.
Young.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Simon E. Young ought to pass. (Messrs. Ladd of Boston, Kilmer of Somerville, Bartlett of Lowell and Peterson of Whitman, dissenting.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Boston and
Lowell Railroad
Corporation.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock. After debate the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

On motions of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations

organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

On motions of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation regulating the procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 13, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Procedure by
and before
boards of public
officers and
commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 22, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Employment of
minors.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the Bill constituting eight hours a day's work for State, county, city and town employees was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Eight-hour law
for State,
county, city
and town
employees.

On motion of Mr. Bill of Paxton, the Bill relating to evidence in cases of violation of certain game laws was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day, by a vote of 48 to 42.

Game laws.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes, relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments,

Hours of labor
of minors and
women in man-
ufacturing and
mechanical
establishments.

was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 14, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted. Engrossed bills :
 To authorize the city of Taunton to cede land to the United States for a post-office building ;
 To establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Plymouth ;
 To authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of generating and furnishing hydrostatic pressure for mechanical power ; and
 To incorporate the Suburban Railroad Company ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed. Engrossed resolves :
 In favor of Waldo F. Miles ;
 To provide for an investigation of the Zone system of railroad passenger fares ; and
 Providing for the payment of a street betterment assessment upon property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day. Reports :
 Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for legislation for the protection of horses mutilated by docking ;
 Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :
 On an order relative to legislation to further protect the interests of minority stockholders in manufacturing corporations in this State, and to enable them to obtain information as to the financial condition of such corporations ; and

On an order relative to giving the supreme judicial court and superior court, on the petition of a city or town or of the board of health thereof, jurisdiction in equity to prevent the exercise of any trade or employment which is a nuisance or hurtful to the inhabitants or dangerous to the public health ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rufus K. Noyes and others that unvaccinated children may be allowed to attend the public schools ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the time for the taking of shad and alewives in the Merrimack River, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the town of West Tisbury ;

To readjust the division lines between the city of Cambridge and the town of Belmont ;

Relating to stables in cities ;

To promote the abolition of grade crossings ;

Relating to trials in the superior court without a jury ;

To provide additional accommodations for passengers on street railways ;

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to elect a city engineer ;

Relating to temporary loans by cities and towns ;

In amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto ;

Concerning the State Military and Naval Historian ;

To enable the city of Chelsea to refund a portion of its water indebtedness ;

To enable the city of Chelsea to issue bonds, notes or scrip for paying and refunding a part of its indebtedness ; and

To authorize any city or town to lease its public buildings, or a part thereof, to veteran firemen's associations ; and the

Resolve providing for the erection of a bronze tablet on the battlefield at Gettysburg ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the " Order of Nine Hundred Dollars " to change its corporate name ;

Relative to the board of public works for the city of New Bedford (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To incorporate the Lexington Print Works ;

To supply the town of Easthampton with water ;

To authorize the shareholders in the Falmouth Highlands Trust to take water from Long Pond in Falmouth ;

To incorporate the Exeter and Amesbury Railroad Company ;

To establish a registry of deeds at Fall River ; and

To authorize the city of Gloucester to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its settlement as a town ; and the

Resolve providing for nails or spikes for designating certain trees on highways for preservation ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock ; and

To further regulate the borrowing of money by the city of Boston ; and

Resolves :

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives ; and

In favor of the widow of the late S. Augustus Endicott ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to define certain respective powers of road commissioners and selectmen, being the unfinished business of Friday, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by striking out the word " nothing " and inserting in place thereof the words " so much ; " also by striking out, in the same section, all after the word " commissioners " in line 5, and inserting in place thereof the words " so far as relates to shade and ornamental trees is hereby repealed. The selectmen of any town shall have full power, care and control of all shade and ornamental trees within the limits of a highway,

town way or street, so far as relates to the removing or trimming of such trees." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read " Bill relating to the powers of selectmen in respect to the cutting or trimming of trees in public ways."

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics or laborers who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, was further considered. Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly. The bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted by a vote of 90 to 35.

The Bill to authorize the Burleigh Tunnel Company to hold meetings in the State of Colorado was further considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary. After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, by a vote of 76 to 25, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to insure a more thorough registration of voters was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, laid on the table, by a vote of 53 to 20.

The Bill relative to supervisors of elections was read a second time and considered. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend in line 2 of section 1 by striking out the words " a city or " and inserting in place thereof the words " a ward of a city or of a ; " also in line 4 of the same section by striking out the word " fourteen " and inserting in place thereof the word " twenty-one ; " also in line 10 of the same section by inserting after the word " not " the words " signers of such petition or." After debate the amendments were

severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to fishing in the Merrimack River was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Richardson of Newburyport moved that it be referred to the next General Court, which motion was lost by a vote of 23 to 54, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. W. K. Eastman, for a graduated income tax to be levied upon all persons having an income of more than \$2,000 a year, was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to prevent accidents to trespassers on railroad tracks was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading,—

On motion of Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, at five o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 7, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, a Bill relating to officers of incorporated churches. The bill was read. The committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Fairbanks, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Officers of
incorporated
churches.*Petitions.*

A memorial and remonstrance, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of 100 woollen manufacturers and of other manufacturers, against any legislation to reduce the hours of labor in the factories of Massachusetts, was read and placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Hours of labor
in factories.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of Edward J. Donahue and others, for the passage of a resolve directing the Bureau of Statistics of Labor to inquire to what extent the lands in the city of Boston and suburbs are held by land companies, land syndicates and land corporations, for speculative purposes; also as to the ownership or rental of homes, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mellen, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Labor, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Land compa-
nies, — holding
of land in Bos-
ton and suburbs
for speculative
purposes.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester :—

• Committee on Public Health, — report of hearings on subject of arsenical poisoning.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to print at length the stenographer's report of the hearings on the subject of arsenical poisoning and matters pertaining thereto.

Bills :

Railroads, — heating of passenger cars.

To regulate the heating of passenger cars on railroads (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners) ; and

City of Quincy, — school committee.

To require the school committee of the city of Quincy to furnish certain estimates to the city council (being a new draft of a House “ Bill to amend chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled ‘ An Act to incorporate the city of Quincy.’ ”) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Gypsy moth.

The House Bill to provide against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar*, or gypsy moth, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out section 12, to wit : “ *Section 12.* This act shall take effect upon its passage ; ” also, striking out in section 7, lines 7, 8 and 9, the words “ except while engaged in, and for the purposes of, destroying them. ” On motion of Mr. Bill of Paxton, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Braintree.

The House petition of the selectmen and water commissioners of Braintree, for an act enabling said town to carry out an award made under the provisions of the act to incorporate the Braintree Water Supply Company, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Parts I. and II. of the report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on Parts I. and II. of the 15th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Converse, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the election laws, the ballot law and precinct officers. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sprague, and sent up for concurrence.

Governor's address,—election laws, ballot law and precinct officers.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on part second of the thirty-fifth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Carpenter, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Insurance Commissioner,—life, casualty and assessment insurance.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. A. Tibbetts, that he and associates be incorporated as a savings bank in the city of Lynn.

City of Lynn,—savings bank.

By Mr. Meade of Salem, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Isaac A. Williams and others, for legislation providing that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston fire department. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Boston,—hours of labor of employees in the fire department.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Elections, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James D. Doherty, for a recount of votes in the seventh Suffolk Representative district, and that he may be declared to be the representative from that district. (See House, No. 399.)

Contested election,—seventh Suffolk Representative district.

By Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, and providing for the appointment of a board of gas and electric light control.

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

By Mr. Baker of Lynn, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to permitting gas and electric companies situated in the same city or town to consolidate with a capitalization equal to their appraised valuation.

Consolidation of gas and electric companies.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the inequality of the school tax.

Governor's address,—school tax.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, for the reason that the matter is being considered by the committee on Cities, on an

Taxation of corporations,—municipal privileges.

order relative to abolishing the corporation tax of corporations exercising municipal privileges and so taxing such corporations that the towns and cities in which such municipal privileges are exercised shall receive the entire tax.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons.

Mr. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, reported a Bill concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons, and submitted therewith an explanatory statement of such changes in the laws as are embodied in the bill. (See House, No. 393.)

Contingent remainders.

Mr. Howe of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order, reported a Bill concerning contingent remainders, and submitted therewith an explanatory statement of such changes in the laws as are embodied in the bill. (See House, No. 391.)

Examination and auditing of probate accounts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to the examination and auditing of probate accounts.

City of Boston, — payment of supervisors.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the payment of supervisors who served at the State election in the city of Boston in the year 1889 ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

North Essex Trust Company.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to incorporate the North Essex Trust Company.

Town of Billerica, — high school.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to exempt the inhabitants of the town of Billerica from maintaining a high school.

Towns, — high schools.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the payment for tuition by certain towns.

Elections, — payment of poll-taxes by political organizations.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill relating to the payment of poll-taxes by political organizations.

Elections, — withdrawals of candidates.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill relative to filling vacancies caused by withdrawals and ineligibility of candidates.

Elections, — opening of polls.

By Mr. Hall of Waltham, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 66 of chapter 423 of the

Acts of the year 1890, relative to the hour of opening the polls. (Mr. Smith of the Senate, and Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Lane of Gloucester, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill relative to sessions of the boards of registrars of voters in towns. Elections, — sessions of registrars of voters in towns.

By Mr. Heffernin of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to limit the number of candidates for the same office who can bear the same party designation upon the official ballot. Elections, — candidates on the official ballot.

By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, from the committee on Insurance, on a bill (recommitted) and on orders, a Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations. Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the Comptroller of County Accounts, in part, a Bill to establish the southern district court of Norfolk. Southern district court of Norfolk.

By Mr. Ensign of Watertown, from the committee on the Library, on the report of the commissioners appointed to inquire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams, a Resolve authorizing the change of name on the pedestal of the bust in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams to that of Washington. Bust in Doric Hall, State House, marked Samuel Adams.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Great Barrington Gas Light Company to dispose of its property and franchises to the Great Barrington Electric Light Company. Great Barrington Gas Light Company.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of practitioners ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (Mr. Rady of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting.) Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Frazer of Boston, from the same committee, on an order and petition (recommitted), a Bill to amend the law relating to the sale of impure milk. Milk.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Stoneham to aid the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad. Town of Stoneham, — Boston and Maine Railroad.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Edson of Barnstable, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to the Assessors of taxes, — oaths to persons

Papers from the Senate.

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Committee on Public Health,
— report of hearings on subject of arsenical poisoning.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to print at length the stenographer's report of the hearings on the subject of arsenical poisoning and matters pertaining thereto.

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Railroads, —
heating of passenger cars.

To regulate the heating of passenger cars on railroads (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners); and

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— school committee.

To require the school committee of the city of Quincy to furnish certain estimates to the city council (being a new draft of a House "Bill to amend chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Quincy.'");

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Gypsy moth.

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Parts I. and II. of the report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on Parts I. and II. of the 15th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Converse, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the election laws, the ballot law and precinct officers. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sprague, and sent up for concurrence.

Governor's address,—election laws, ballot law and precinct officers.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on part second of the thirty-fifth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Carpenter, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Insurance Commissioner,—life, casualty and assessment insurance.

By Mr. Converse of Winchendon, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. A. Tibbetts, that he and associates be incorporated as a savings bank in the city of Lynn.

City of Lynn,—savings bank.

By Mr. Meade of Salem, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Isaac A. Williams and others, for legislation providing that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston fire department. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Boston,—hours of labor of employees in the fire department.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Elections, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James D Doherty, for a recount of votes in the seventh Suffolk Representative district, and that he may be declared to be the representative from that district. (See House, No. 399.)

Contested election,—seventh Suffolk Representative district.

By Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, and providing for the appointment of a board of gas and electric light control.

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

By Mr. Baker of Lynn, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to permitting gas and electric companies situated in the same city or town to consolidate with a capitalization equal to their appraised valuation.

Consolidation of gas and electric companies.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the inequality of the school tax.

Governor's address,—school tax.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, for the reason that the matter is being considered by the committee on Cities, on an

Taxation of corporations,—municipal privileges.

order relative to abolishing the corporation tax of corporations exercising municipal privileges and so taxing such corporations that the towns and cities in which such municipal privileges are exercised shall receive the entire tax.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons.

Mr. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, reported a Bill concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons, and submitted therewith an explanatory statement of such changes in the laws as are embodied in the bill. (See House, No. 393.)

Contingent remainders.

Mr. Howe of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order, reported a Bill concerning contingent remainders, and submitted therewith an explanatory statement of such changes in the laws as are embodied in the bill. (See House, No. 391.)

Examination and auditing of probate accounts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to the examination and auditing of probate accounts.

City of Boston, — payment of supervisors.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the payment of supervisors who served at the State election in the city of Boston in the year 1889 ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

North Essex Trust Company.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to incorporate the North Essex Trust Company.

Town of Billerica, — high school.

By Mr. Withington of Newburyport, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to exempt the inhabitants of the town of Billerica from maintaining a high school.

Towns, — high schools.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the payment for tuition by certain towns.

Elections, — payment of poll-taxes by political organizations.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill relating to the payment of poll-taxes by political organizations.

Elections, — withdrawals of candidates.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill relative to filling vacancies caused by withdrawals and ineligibility of candidates.

Elections, — opening of polls.

By Mr. Hall of Waltham, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 66 of chapter 423 of the

Acts of the year 1890, relative to the hour of opening the polls. (Mr. Smith of the Senate, and Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Lane of Gloucester, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill relative to sessions of the boards of registrars of voters in towns. Elections, — sessions of registrars of voters in towns.

By Mr. Heffernin of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to limit the number of candidates for the same office who can bear the same party designation upon the official ballot. Elections, — candidates on the official ballot.

By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, from the committee on Insurance, on a bill (recommitted) and on orders, a Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations. Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the Comptroller of County Accounts, in part, a Bill to establish the southern district court of Norfolk. Southern district court of Norfolk.

By Mr. Ensign of Watertown, from the committee on the Library, on the report of the commissioners appointed to inquire into the authenticity of the bust in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams, a Resolve authorizing the change of name on the pedestal of the bust in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams to that of Washington. Bust in Doric Hall, State House, marked Samuel Adams.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Great Barrington Gas Light Company to dispose of its property and franchises to the Great Barrington Electric Light Company. Great Barrington Gas Light Company.

By Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of practitioners ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (Mr. Rady of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting.) Practice of medicine.

By Mr. Frazer of Boston, from the same committee, on an order and petition (recommitted), a Bill to amend the law relating to the sale of impure milk. Milk.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Stoneham to aid the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad. Town of Stoneham, — Boston and Maine Railroad.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Edson of Barnstable, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to the Assessors of taxes, — oaths to persons

bringing in lists
of property for
assessment.

administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment, ought to pass with the following amendment: Add at the end thereof the following words: "unless such person is absent from the city or town in which the tax is to be laid during the whole period when it may be made, in which case the oath may be administered by a notary public, the jurat to be duly authenticated by his seal." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Massachusetts
Official Gazette.

By Mr. Howe of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to establish the Massachusetts Official Gazette.

Corporations, —
taxation.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill to establish a board of commissioners for revising and amending the laws relating to corporations and taxation, and for promoting uniformity between the tax and corporation laws of this Commonwealth and of other States.

Assessors of
taxes, — fur-
nishing of
blanks.

By Mr. Edson of Barnstable, from the same committee, on the communication from the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, transmitted by the Governor, and on an order and petitions, a Bill relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, from the committee on Manufactures, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) relating to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mechanics'
liens.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics or laborers who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor. After debate the motion was lost.

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted, in concurrence, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the time for the taking of shad and alewives in the Merrimack River. After debate the motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Merrimack
River,—
fisheries.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, the Bill relating to the punishment for drunkenness was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Drunkenness.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act relating to the adulteration of food and drugs was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Adulteration of
food and drugs.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. W. K. Eastman for a graduated income tax to be levied upon all persons having an income of more than \$2,000 a year, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the German-American Singing Society for authority to hold real estate ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to forbidding or regulating the presence of markers or checkers, so called, at or within a certain distance from the polling places ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

In addition to an act to aid small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents ;

In addition to an act in relation to the conservation of the Connecticut River ;

In further addition to an act relating to the Mystic River Corporation ;

To provide for the use of machinery in the State prison, reformatories and houses of correction ;

To authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the State prison at Boston ; and

Concerning the volunteer militia ; and the

Resolve providing for the erection of memorial tablets on the battlefield of Gettysburg ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Granting an extension of time to the Charles River Embankment Company ; and

Relative to appointments on the Governor's staff ;

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To readjust the division lines between the city of Cambridge and the town of Belmont ;

Concerning the State Military and Naval Historian ;

To enable the city of Chelsea to refund a portion of its water indebtedness ; and

To enable the city of Chelsea to issue bonds, notes or scrip for paying and refunding a part of its indebtedness ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to collect certain statistics and inquire into the subject of pensioning railroad employees injured in the discharge of their duty, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to prevent accidents to trespassers on railroad tracks, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the bill was refused a third reading.

The Bill in addition to an act to provide for laying out a highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecti-

cut River between Holyoke and Chicopee was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Murray of Fitchburg raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the petition on which the report was made, for the reason that the petition asked for an amendment of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1889, being an act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Hampden to lay out a highway and construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee, while the bill contemplated legislation providing that a bridge authorized under chapter 141 of the Acts of the year 1866 shall become a public way and remain for the public use, free of toll. The Chair ruled that the petition made no reference whatever to the making of any toll bridge free, and declared the point of order well taken. On motion of Mr. Ramage of Holyoke, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court was further considered, the question being on agreeing to the article of amendment. Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend the article of amendment in line 1 by inserting, after the words "a majority of the," the words "duly elected;" also in lines 13 and 14 by striking out the words "for the transaction of business," and inserting in place thereof the words "for the purposes of organization." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford. The amendments were rejected by a vote of 20 to 113. On the question on agreeing to the article of amendment the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called the article of amendment was agreed to and sent up for concurrence, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 161 yeas to 14 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Atkins, Edwin A.
Bacheller, Charles M.
Baker, Charles H.
Barrett, Harry H.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bartlett, Robert G.

Messrs. Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Bill, Ledyard
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Britton, Henry W.

Messrs. Brock, Lemuel M.

Brooks, Ethan
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Burke, James F.
 Butler, William M.
 Cannon, William
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clough, George S.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Golding, John
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howard, S. Edward

Messrs. Howard, Timothy

Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hurley, John T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Loud, John C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFethries, John
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meade, William E.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moore, Charles
 Newell, Charles B.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo

Messrs. Perkins, George W.	Messrs. Stevens, William S.
Peterson, Benjamin F.	Swallow, George N.
Pickering, Benjamin P.	Taft, Henry G.
Pomeroy, John P.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Quinn, Patrick J.	Thurston, Lysander
Rady, Andrew J.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Rafferty, Patrick H.	Tilden, Charles A.
Ramage, James	Tilton, Frank B.
Read, Franklin F.	Tucker, George F.
Reid, James	Turner, Charles W.
Richardson, Albert W.	Turner, Henry E.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Ripley, Samuel E.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Rosenosky, Isaac	Warren, Bentley W.
Salter, John J.	Waterman, Eben C.
Savage, Patrick J.	Weston, Thomas
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Shaw, Ebenezer	White, Franklin B.
Smith, Charles S.	Whitney, Edwin
Smith, Elvin L.	Wier, Fred N.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Sprague, Charles F.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Stearns, William H.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bliss, Frederic W.	Messrs. Kimball, John W.
Capen, Robert P.	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Clark, Louis M.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Day, Frederick B.	Presho, Edward W.
Hinds, John F.	Rice, William H.
Horton, Everett S.	Sohier, William D.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 161; Nays, 14.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced :—

YEA.	NAY.
Mr. Pratt, Amasa	Mr. Wheaton, Henry C.*

* Present.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows :—

Resolved, That the following article of amendment, having been agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, and having been entered on

the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, in the year last past, and referred to the present General Court and published according to law, and being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption.

Article of Amendment.

A majority of the members of each branch of the General Court shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from day to day, and compel the attendance of absent members. All the provisions of the existing Constitution inconsistent with the provisions herein contained are hereby annulled.

On motion of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, at five minutes past five o'clock the House adjourned, by a vote of 64 to 30.

WEDNESDAY, April 8, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, chaplain of the Senate.

Remonstrances.

The following remonstrances were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Brown of West Brookfield, of Sayles & Jenks and others; by Mr. Sprague of Boston, of H. H. Overman and others of Chicopee Falls; of Andrew G. Pierce and 13 others of New Bedford; and of A. S. Phillips and 11 others of Adams; by Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, of Charles L. Hildreth and 45 others of Lowell; of A. G. Cumnock and 24 others of Lowell; and of O. H. Perry and others of Lawrence; by Mr. Pratt of Lowell, of James B. Francis and others of Lowell; of L. Adams and others of Lowell; of Charles R. Goddard and 66 others of Lowell; and of Edward W. Thomas and 13 others of Lowell; by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the treasurer of the Saxonville Mills and Roxbury Carpet Company; by Mr. Coburn of Lowell, of W. S. Southworth and 19 others; by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of W. F. Draper and others of Hopedale; by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of Andrew Borden and 34 others of Fall River; by Mr. Barrett of Concord, of the Damon Manufacturing Company; and of Charles H. Richardson and 37 others; by Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, of the Union Braiding Company of Sandwich; by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of E. T. Maxfield and 9 others; by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of Frank S. Stevens of Swanzey; by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, of Horatio Hathaway of New Bedford; by Mr. Bucklin of Adams, of A. W. Leonard and other employees; by Mr. White of Worcester, of the Fox Mills; by Mr. Hinds of Webster, of Kirk, Hutchins & Stoddard; by Mr. Taft of Worcester, of Newton Darling; by Mr. Wilder of Leominster, of William Rogers and others; by Mr. Longley of Dana, of Crawford &

Hours of labor
in factories.

Tyler; by Mr. Fales of Norfolk, of the City Mills Company; by Mr. Shaw of New Bedford, of Oliver P. Brightman and 33 others; by Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, of Charles C. Capron; and by Mr. Lane of Springfield, of Henry A. Bailey,—severally against any legislation reducing the hours of labor in factories.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, was considered:—

Committee on
Taxation.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be granted until Wednesday, April 15, to report on matters before them.

After debate the order was adopted. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the order was adopted, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted until Wednesday, April 22, in which to report on matters now before them.

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures be granted until Wednesday, April 15, in which to report upon the petitions of sundry cities and towns for special legislation with regard to the manufacture and sale of gas and electricity.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Wednesday, April 15, in which to report on matters now before them.

Committee on
Prisons.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons be granted until Wednesday, April 22, in which to report on matters now before them.

Committee on
Public Health.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health be granted until Wednesday, April 15, in which to report on matters now referred to them.

The following order was considered:—

Committee on
Cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be granted until Wednesday, April 22, in which to report on matters referred to them. Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words "April 22" and insert-

ing in place thereof the words "April 15." After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Wright of Duxbury. The question was put on allowing the words "April 22" to remain in the order, which was carried, and the order was adopted, in concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to print at length the stenographer's report of the hearings of the subject of arsenical poisoning and matters pertaining thereto.

Committee on Public Health,
— report of hearings on subject of arsenical poisoning.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing cities and towns, or some officer or board thereof, to revoke locations granted for the use of streets by corporations or persons; and

Corporations.—
use of streets.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapters 105 and 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to the powers and duties of corporations and their organization under general law, — (1) so as to enable incorporators in certain cases to organize at once, without a delay of seven days for notifying the first meeting; (2) so as to permit the par value of shares to be fixed at less than one hundred dollars; (3) so as to enable a corporation to transact business under certain restrictions before its capital is paid in, and so as to limit the liability of a stockholder to the amount remaining unpaid on account of shares taken by him, when business is transacted before the capital is wholly paid in;

Corporations
incorporated
under the gen-
eral law.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Conferring certain powers upon the chiefs of fire departments in cities (reported on an order); and

Chiefs of fire
departments in
cities.

To authorize the city of Haverhill to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law, for the purpose of permanent street and other improvements (reported on a petition);

City of Haver-
hill,— tax limit.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :**Overseer of
the poor.**

Relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title) ; and

**Custody of
town records.**

Relating to the care and custody of town records ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Dogs.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill relating to the recovery of damages for personal injuries caused by dogs.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

**Holyoke and
Northampton
Boom and Lum-
ber Company.**

Petition of the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company that the provisions of its charter, now about to expire, may continue in force. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

**Mary C.
Ostrander.**

Petition of Mary C. Ostrander, that she may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

**Oriental So-
ciety.**

The House petition of Archibald M. Howe, that the Oriental Society be authorized to hold its meetings outside the Commonwealth, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

*Reports of Committees.***Report of the
Attorney-Gen-
eral.**

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dewey, and sent up for concurrence.

**Regulation of
the sale of milk.**

By Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas F. Bell and others, for further legislation relating to the regulation of the sale of milk.

**Employers'
liability.**

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Employers' Liability Act.

**Taxation of
corporations,—
municipal
privileges.**

By Mr. Kelly of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, for the reason that a similar matter is being considered by the committees

on Taxation and Cities, on an order relative to amending the law concerning taxes on corporations, so as to provide that such taxes shall be returned to cities and towns in which they exercise municipal privileges or have locations or places of business, in proportion to the amount of business carried on in each town in which they do business, or in proportion to the extent of the municipal franchises enjoyed in each city or town, or in such other proportion as the commissioner of taxation or some other board may deem equitable.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Barrett of Malden, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to give to the probate courts jurisdiction in equity in the administration of the estates of deceased persons.

Administration of estates of deceased persons.

By Mr. Gale of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on orders, a Bill regulating the reserves of trust companies and safe deposit, loan and trust companies. (Mr. West of the Senate, and Messrs. Bright of Cambridge and Longley of Dana, of the House, dissenting.)

Trust companies, and safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, on a petition, in part, a Bill raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years.

Compulsory school age.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Insurance, on an order and petition, a Bill to amend chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to reinsurance.

Reinsurance.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General, in part, a Bill relating to the trial of indictments for capital crimes.

Trial of indictments for capital crimes.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, on so much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments, transmitted by the Governor, as relates to the method of appointing the pilot commissioners, a Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to commissioners of pilots for the harbor of Boston.

Commissioners of pilots for Boston harbor.

By Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, from the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the taxation of legacies

Taxation of legacies.

and successions, and on an order, a Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax.

Hours of labor
for county em-
ployees.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill constituting nine hours a day's work for county employees.

Use of armed
bodies of men
by employers
of labor.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill relating to the qualifications of special police officers and to liability for assaults by unqualified persons.

Foreign cor-
porations, —
place of busi-
ness.

By Mr. Lane of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order, a Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill appropriating \$10,000 for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ought to pass.

Practice of
pharmacy.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy ought to pass with the following amendment: Strike out in the second line the words "one thousand," and insert in place thereof the words "five hundred."

Probation
officers.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of probation officers ought to pass with the following amendment: In section 2, line 2, after the word "be" insert the word "active."

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Nautical train-
ing school.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill to establish a nautical training school.

Publishing of
election ex-
penses.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to legislation in regard to the publishing of election expenses, and on an order, a Bill to secure the publication of election expenses.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Weston of Hingham, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion to be registered, and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 15, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Soldiers and
sailors,—
decoration of
graves on
Memorial Day.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to giving to any person to whom a debt is due for materials furnished in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate the right of subrogation to all the rights of the contractor with the owner of such real estate, was taken from the table, and was accepted.

Liens.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the Bill to amend an act to establish a Board of Registration in Pharmacy was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 87 to 21. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Registration in
pharmacy.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 15, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Owners and
managers of
sleeping-cars as
common car-
riers.

On motion of Mr. Greene of North Andover, the Bill relative to fishing in the Merrimack River was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Merrimack
River,—
fisheries.

It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 14, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Boston,
— hours of labor
of employees in
the fire depart-
ment.

On motions of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Isaac A. Williams and others, for legislation providing that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston fire department, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

On motions of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, and providing for the appointment of a Board of Gas and Electric Light Control, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Taxation of
corporations, —
municipal
privileges.

On motions of Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, for the reason that the matter is being considered by the committee on Cities, on an order relative to abolishing the corporation tax of corporations exercising municipal privileges, and so taxing such corporations that the towns and cities in which such municipal privileges are exercised shall receive the entire tax, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 16, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Succession to
the real and
personal estate
of deceased
persons.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Boston, the Bill concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading,

it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 15, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the Resolve authorizing the change of name on the pedestal of the bust in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams to that of Washington was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bust in Doric Hall, State House, marked Samuel Adams.

On further motion of Mr. Ensign, the report of the commissioners was ordered printed as a House document.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Bills enacted.

Concerning the better protection of infants ;

To provide for the abandonment of the Ironstone station and to establish a new station at South Uxbridge on the New York and New England Railroad ; and

Amending an act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Providing for the printing and distribution of the report of Statistics of Manufactures ;

In relation to the printing and distribution of the reports of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ; and

To provide for the disposition of certain money received by the Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Commonwealth from the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

To confirm the acts of Nathan D. Pratt as a justice of the peace ;

Resolves passed.

To confirm the acts of William G. Reed as a justice of the peace ; and

To confirm the acts of Benjamin F. Brown as a justice of the peace ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of the widow of the late Robert C. Pitman (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Elections, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James D. Doherty for a recount of votes in the 7th Suffolk Representative district, and that he may be declared to be the representative from that district, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. A. Tibbetts, that he and associates be incorporated as a savings bank in the city of Lynn ; and

Of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to permitting gas and electric companies situated in the same city or town to consolidate with a capitalization equal to their appraised valuation ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To exempt the inhabitants of the town of Billerica from maintaining a high school ;

Relating to the payment for tuition by certain towns ;

Relative to filling vacancies caused by withdrawals and ineligibility of candidates ;

Relative to sessions of the boards of registrars of voters in towns ;

To authorize the town of Stoneham to aid the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad ;

To incorporate the North Essex Trust Company ;

To establish the southern district court of Norfolk ; and

To authorize the Great Barrington Gas Light Company to dispose of its property and franchises to the Great Barrington Electric Light Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In addition to an act to aid small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents ; and

In further addition to an act relating to the Mystic River Corporation ; and the

Resolve providing for the erection of a bronze tablet on the battlefield at Gettysburg ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to elect a city engineer ;

To authorize any city or town to lease its public buildings, or a part thereof, to veteran firemen's associations ;

To provide additional accommodations for passengers on street railways ; and

To authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the State Prison at Boston ; and the

Resolve providing for a further distribution of the supplement to the Public Statutes ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, adding a new section, to be numbered section 14, as follows : "*Section 14. This act shall take effect upon its passage.*" The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 4, to wit : "*Section 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.*" The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of the mayor of Chelsea, for the abolition of grade crossings in that city, was, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day.

The Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend in lines 18 and 47 respectively by striking out the word "prescribed" and inserting in place thereof the word "approved." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Quinn of Worcester, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the fees for naturalization, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 115 to 42.

The Bill to amend chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to sanitary provisions and ventilation, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Harding of Medfield moved to amend in line 9 by inserting, after the word "thereof," the words "or in the case of such an order already issued within thirty days from the date of the passage of this act." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the implied revocation of wills and the lapse of devises and legacies was read a second time and considered. Mr. Lawrence of Medford moved to amend in section 1, lines 10 and 11, by striking out the words "the testator's own estate and he or she had died without disposing of it by will," and inserting in place thereof the words, "testator's real or personal estate in case of intestacy, or would not pass in such manner that the testator's wife or husband, or some issue of such marriage, might be entitled to an interest therein." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to relocate the ward line between ward 3 and ward 7 in said city was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a

"Bill to authorize certain voters of ward seven in the city of Holyoke to vote in ward three of said city at municipal elections," which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by the clerks of courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Resolve in favor of Simon E. Young was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, at eleven minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 9, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the Auditor of the Commonwealth, — expenses of advertising committee hearings.

A communication was received from the Auditor of the Commonwealth, transmitting a report of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings before them, from the beginning of the present session to the first day of April current. Referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Introduced on Leave.

Bureau of Statistics of Labor, — tabulation of special statistics for the United States census.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, a Resolve authorizing the tabulation of special statistics for the United States census in the rooms of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor. The resolve was read. The committee on Rules having reported that the resolve came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Quincy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was referred to the committee on Public Service, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Petitions.

Quincy Electric Freight and Railway Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of J. Q. Adams and others, for an act of incorporation as the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Quincy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

the following petitions and remonstrance were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee rules:—

petitions, presented by Mr. Handley of Acton, of the selectmen and other officers of Acton; and by Mr. Greene of North Andover, of the selectmen and other officers of North Andover,—severally, for an amendment to the constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the incorporation of towns.

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

remonstrance, presented by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of Alfred Nash and others against the order to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of medical degrees.

Practice of medicine.

remonstrances, presented by Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, of William C. Lovering and 17 others; and by John Coburn of Lowell, of the Merrimac Woolen Mill,—severally, against any legislation reducing the hours of labor in factories.

Hours of labor in factories.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Federal Relations be granted until Wednesday, April 15, in which to report on the representation of the Commonwealth at the Columbian Fair at Chicago.

Committee on Federal Relations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be granted until Wednesday, April 22, in which to report on matters now before them.

Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly:—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions be granted further time in which to report on matters referred to them.

Joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

report of the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to amending section 18 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, and other sections of said acts, and defining the persons who shall compose the board of registrars of voters in the various cities and towns, so as to define the composition of said board, and that the city or town clerk is not a member of one of the

Boards of registrars of voters.

two political parties which cast the largest number of votes in the Commonwealth at the annual election next preceding, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee.

Forty-eighth registration report, — births, marriages and deaths, and returns of medical examiners.

A report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the forty-eighth registration report as relates to births, marriages and deaths, and the returns of medical examiners, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens of Boston.

Use of buildings for offensive trades.

A report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending that part of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relating to offensive trades, so as to require any one who desires to occupy or use any buildings or premises for carrying on any of such trades to first obtain permission from the city council, instead of the board of aldermen of the city in which the building or premises are situated, and to provide for an appeal to the State Board of Health, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Intoxicating liquors.

In relation to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors (substituted in the Senate for a Senate report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate) ; and

Taking of game by traps or snares.

To prohibit the sale of certain game taken or killed in traps or snares (reported, in part, on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Appointment of election officers in cities.

The House Bill relative to the appointment of election officers in cities came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following words : " The appointment of all election officers in cities, as provided in section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, shall be made during the month of September in each year. So much of said section 75 as is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

The House Bill relating to corporate names came down to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting after the word "it," in section 1, line 6, the words "unless the consent in writing of said existing corporation shall have been previously filed with the Commissioner of Corporations." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Shaw of New Bedford, from the committee on Corporations and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the report (recommitted) of the mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to build a bridge from the city of Boston to East Boston. (Messrs. Tibbetts of Lynn, Kellogg of Boston, and McNamara of Boston, of the House, concurring.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Corporate names.

City of Boston, — bridge from Boston proper to East Boston.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to establish the fire department of the city of Lawrence.

City of Lawrence, — fire department.

Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to extend the charter of the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company.

Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company.

Read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on the Senate Resolve providing for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, ought to pass.

Boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, on the Resolve releasing the interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands in the town of Winchester, ought to pass.

Interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands in the town of Winchester.

Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, on the Resolve relative to the celebration of the dedication of the Bennington battle monument at Bennington, Vt., Aug. 16, 1891, ought to pass, in a new draft, under a similar title.

Representation of Massachusetts at the dedication of the Bennington, Vt., monument.

Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, on the Bill providing for the printing and distribution of

Elections, — specimen ballots.

specimen ballots at the public expense of State and city elections ought to pass.

Elections, —
ballot-boxes and
election blanks.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the care of ballot-boxes, and furnishing of election blanks and instructions by the Secretary of the Commonwealth ought to pass.

Elections, —
canvassing of
votes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Expense of
school text-
books and sup-
plies.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the reimbursement to cities and towns of part of the expense of school text-books and supplies ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

William J.
Hume.

By Mr. Whitney of North Attleborough, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William J. Hume.

Addison D.
Harrington.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Addison D. Harrington.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage Cor-
porations, —
supervision
of foreign
corporations.

Mr. Stearns of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill in amendment of an Act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto. After debate the motion prevailed. The same gentleman further moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was amended by striking out section 4, pending which motion the bill was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs by a vote of 89 to 49.

Taken from the Table.

State Pension
Agent.

On motion of Mr. Herrod of Brockton, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing section 1 of chapter 396

the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An Act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions," so far as it provides for a salary of \$2,000 per year to the State Pension Agent, and of providing for the time and manner of payment for services rendered by the State Pension Agent, taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the Bill to amend the more thorough registration of voters was taken from the table. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Sprague moved to amend in section 1, paragraph 3, by inserting, after the word "town," the words "prior to the first day of May in any year." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed and sent up for concurrence.

Registration of voters.

On motions of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 16, to be placed in the calendar of the day.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to discharge from the calendar of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the inequality of the school tax, which motion was lost by a vote of 43 to 46.

School tax.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill concerning eight hours a day's work for State, county, city and town employees was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Hours of labor of State, county, city and town employees.

Simon E.
Young.

- On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Resolve in favor of Simon E. Young was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Watering of
streets in cities.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill relating to the watering of streets in cities was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The House concurred with the Senate in the following amendments: At (A.) in section 1, after the word "water," insert the words "all or any of;" at (B.) in section 1, by inserting, after the word "watered," the words "in whole or in part;" at (C.) strike out sections 2 and 3, and insert in place thereof the following: "*Section 2.* If a city shall determine that the streets within its limits, or certain streets or portions of streets therein, shall be watered in whole or in part at the expense of the abutters, the expense of such watering shall be assessed upon the estates abutting on such street or portion of such street in proportion to the number of linear feet of each estate upon such street or portion thereof so watered;" at (D.) insert in section 4, after the word "assessors," the words "or collector of taxes;" at (E.) strike out in section 5 the words "any or all of;" at (F.) insert in section 5, after the word "assessors," the words "or collector of taxes."

On further motion of Mr. Rosnosky, Rule 15 was suspended, and the bill was returned to the Senate.

Supervisors of
elections.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Bill relative to supervisors of elections was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, Mr. Ladd moved to amend by adding at the end of section 2 the words "to be paid by such city or town," which amendment was adopted. Mr. Salter of Lynn moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by striking out the words "or town," and inserting in place thereof the words "containing 75,000 inhabitants or more;" also in line 7 by striking out the words "such town or for;" also in line 10 by striking out the words "or town;" also in line 15 by striking out the words "a town clerk or;" also in the same line by striking out the

l "other." The same gentleman also moved to and in section 2, line 5, by striking out the words "or selectmen of the town;" also in the last line of the section by striking out the words "or town." In debate the amendments were severally rejected by vote of 34 to 84, and the bill, as amended, was passed and engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

In motions of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Employers' Liability Act, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Employers'
liability.

In motions of Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, for the reason that a similar matter is being fully considered by the committees on Taxation and Cities, on an order relative to amending the law concerning taxes of corporations, so as to provide that such taxes shall be apportioned to cities and towns in which they exercise municipal privileges, or have locations or places of business, in proportion to the amount of business carried on in each town in which they do business, or in proportion to the extent of the municipal franchises enjoyed in each town, or in such other proportion as the Commissioner of Taxation or some other board may deem equitable, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Taxation of
corporations,—
municipal
privileges.

In motions of Mr. Stearns of Salem, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing cities and towns, or some officer or board thereof, to revoke locations granted for the use of streets by corporations or persons, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Corporations,—
use of streets.

In motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the Bill to authorize the town of Stoneham to aid the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was, for a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of Stone-
ham,— Boston
and Maine Rail-
road.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

- Engrossed bills :
- Bills enacted.** To prohibit the employment of prisoners outside their places of confinement ;
- Relating to sentences of prisoners in the Massachusetts Reformatory ; J.T.B
- To provide for the apportionment of the expense of constructing a certain highway in the city of Salem and town of Peabody ;
- To extend the limits of the Foxborough water supply district ;
- To incorporate the Security Live Stock Insurance Company ;
- Relating to the making up and shifting of freight trains and the sounding of locomotive whistles ;
- Relating to the fisheries in the Weweantit River ; and
- Relating to the employment of legislative counsel and agents, and to provide for returns of legislative expenses ; (Which severally originated in the House) ;
- To authorize the Boston and Lowell Corporation to increase its capital stock ; and
- To further regulate the borrowing of money by the city of Boston ;
- (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
- Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

- Resolve passed.** An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of the late S. Augustus Endicott (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas F. Bell and others, for further legislation relating to the regulation of the sale of milk, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapters 105 and 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to the powers and duties of corporations and their organization under general law, (1) so as to enable incorporators in certain cases to organize at once, without a delay of

n days for notifying the first meeting ; (2) so as to
 nit the par value of shares to be fixed at less than one
 red dollars ; (3) so as to enable a corporation to
 act business under certain restrictions before its capi-
 s paid in, and so as to limit the liability of a stock-
 er to the amount remaining unpaid on account of shares
 n by him, when business is transacted before the cap-
 s wholly paid in, was accepted, in concurrence.

lls :

o limit the number of candidates for the same office
 can bear the same party designation upon the official
 t ;

o regulate the heating of passenger cars on railroads ;
 o require the school committee of the city of Quincy
 rnish certain estimates to the city council ;

o amend chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887
 ing to reinsurance ; and

nferring certain powers upon the chiefs of fire depart-
 ts in cities ;

ere severally read a second time and ordered to a
 reading.

he Bill relating to evidence in cases of violation of
 in game laws was ordered to a third reading.

lls :

o promote the abolition of grade crossings ;

o exempt the inhabitants of the town of Billerica from
 taining a high school ;

elating to the payment for tuition in high schools by
 in towns (its title having been changed by the com-
 ee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

relative to filling vacancies caused by withdrawals and
 gibility of candidates ;

relative to sessions of the boards of registrars of voters
 wns ;

incorporate the North Essex Trust Company ;

o establish the southern district court of Norfolk ; and

o amend chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1888,
 ive to sanitary provisions and ventilation ;

ere severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed
 sent up for concurrence.

lls :

elating to stables in cities ;

elating to temporary loans by cities and towns ; and

Messrs. Shaw, Ebenezer	Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.
Smith, Charles S.	Waterman, Eben C.
Smith, Elvin L.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Sohier, William D.	White, Franklin B.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Whitney, Edwin
Thurston, Lysander	Wier, Fred N.
Tilden, Charles A.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Tilton, Frank B.	Wilson, William Power
Tucker, George F.	Withington, Nathan N.
Turner, Henry E.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Tuttle, William H. H.	Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Kimball, John W.
Barrett, Harry H.	Lord, Lucien
Barrett, Richard F.	Luther, Haile R.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Marston, Dudley J.
Bennett, Frank P.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	McFethries, John
Britton, Henry W.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Butler, William M.	Murray, Michael J.
Capen, Robert P.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Prouty, John E. O.
Clarke, George E.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Clough, George S.	Reid, James
Converse, Morton E.	Rice, William H.
Corbett, Myron L.	Salter, John J.
Curtis, Francis C.	Shaw, Charles F.
Dewey, Henry S.	Sprague, Charles F.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Stearns, William H.
Ferren, Myron J.	Stevens, William S.
Goddard, Edward A.	Swallow, George N.
Handley, Aaron C.	Taft, Henry G.
Herrod, Edward E.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Horton, Everett S.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Howard, S. Edward	Turner, Charles W.
Howard, Timothy	Weston, Thomas
Howe, Archibald M.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Hurley, John T.	

Yeas, 128 ; Nays, 51.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.*
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Langdon, Henry W.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Bright, Elmer H.
 Hinds, John F.*
 Thompson, Edwin D.

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PAIRS — Concluded.

YEAS.

Messrs. Powers, Wilbur H.
Gould, David E.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Leslie, Horace G.

NAYS.

Messrs. Presho, Edward W.*
Charles, Salem D.*
Monk, Hiram A.*
Mellen, James H.*

* Present.

On the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to draw, on the petition (recommitted) of the mayor of Chelsea for the abolition of grade crossings in that city, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On the report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the inequality of the school tax was considered. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, at three minutes past five o'clock adjourned, by a vote of 71 to 30.

FRIDAY, April 10, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Taxation of personal property.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, of A. P. Blake and 22 others of Millis; of A. P. Hager and 33 others of Littleton; of J. J. Newcomb and 24 others of Hardwick; of D. F. Bigelow and 24 others of Petersham; of C. E. Wakefield and 29 others of Amherst; of C. E. Haynes, Jr., and 18 others of Sudbury; of Walter Cole and 20 others of Bolton; of John Wooldredge and 28 others of Lunenburg; and of H. H. Kingsbury and 23 others of Spencer, — severally, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation.

Hours of labor in factories.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Emery of Taunton, of Henry M. Lovering and 12 others of Taunton; and by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of Robert Bleakie & Co., — severally, against any reduction in the hours of labor in factories.

Reimbursement of the direct tax to certain persons.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, of Isaac P. Hutchinson, for the passage of a Resolve accompanying the petition, and entitled "a Resolve providing for the reimbursement of the direct tax levy to those persons originally paying the same or their legal representatives," came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Finance, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, —

ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be Committee on Water Supply.
 ed until April 23 to report upon matters now before

at up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

the following order, laid over from yesterday, was
 dered : —

ordered, That the joint special committee on Adminis- Joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.
 e Boards and Commissions be granted further time
 ich to report on matters referred to them.

. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out
 ords " further time " and inserting in place thereof
 ords " April 15." The amendment was adopted,
 he order, as amended, was adopted in concurrence,
 ent up for concurrence in the amendment.

report of the committee on Manufactures, no legisla- Report of Inspector of Gas and Gas-meters.
 necessary, on the annual report of the Inspector of
 and Gas-meters, accepted by the Senate, was read
 cepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the
 moved by Mr. Rice of Worcester.

report of the committee on Public Health, no further Report of the State Board of Health.
 ation necessary, on the annual report of the State
 d of Health, accepted by the Senate, was read and
 ted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule,
 d by Mr. Stevens of Boston.

report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave Canal from Merrimack River to Boston harbor.
 ithdraw, on the petition of Frederick Taylor and
 s, for authority to build a canal from the Merrimack
 to Boston harbor, accepted by the Senate, was read
 cepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the
 moved by Mr. Hutchinson of Boston.

ports :

the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to Constitutional amendments.
 ate, on an order relative to providing that whenever
 posed amendments to the Constitution are submitted
 e people the full text thereof shall be printed on the
 t, or that the voters shall, in some manner, be fur-

nished with more definite information concerning the proposed change ; and

Taxation of
municipal
franchises.

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that taxes shall be assessed upon the location or other privileges granted by cities and towns to corporations, the same to be deducted from the value of their capital stock, as is now done in the case of real estate and machinery ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

Bridge across
Cohasset Nar-
rows, between
Wareham and
Bourne.

Providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne (reported on petitions) ;

Boston and
Maine Railroad.

To authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the roads, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations (reported on a petition) ;

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral,—State
House loan.

To establish a sinking fund for the State House loan due in the year 1901 ;

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral,—deposits
held in trust.

Relative to the care of deposits made with the Treasurer and Receiver-General, in trust ; and

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral,—sinking
funds.

Relating to the sinking funds of the Commonwealth ;

(Severally reported, in part, on the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston,
—harbor lines.

A Bill to change the harbor lines and provide for the improvement of South Bay in the city of Boston (reported on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

City of Wal-
tham,—addi-
tional water
supply.

The House Bill to provide an additional water supply for the city of Waltham came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments: At "A" in section 1, strike out the words "through the town of Weston;" at "B" in section 1, strike out the words "and from Stony Brook;" at "C" in section 1, strike out the words "or said brook;" at "D" in section 2, strike out the words "and said brook;" at "E" in section 3, strike out the words "or the said Stony Brook;" at "F" in section 3, strike out the words "or said Stony Brook." On motion of Mr. Moore of Waltham, the rule was suspended, the House concurred

the Senate in the amendments, and the bill was sent to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following bill and House order had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that each having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule, in each case:—

Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
—highways.

Resolved, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending chapter 219 of the Public Statutes, relating to the Commissioners of Prisons, so that the wardens of the State Prison in Charlestown may have full authority with regard to the appointment and removal of officers of said institution.

Commissioners
of Prisons,
—warden of the
State Prison.

The House petition of the town of Concord, for an act of incorporation of Trustees of Town Donations, referred to the House to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, and referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Towns and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Con-
cord.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Meade of Salem, from the committee on Cities, a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the city of Cambridge.

City of Cam-
bridge, —char-
ter.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Court City of Lawrence No. 6679, Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society.

Court City of
Lawrence No.
6679, Ancient
Order of For-
esters Friendly
Society.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the committee on Churches and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to affirm the proceedings of the First Congregational Church Society in Baldwinville.

First Congrega-
tional Church in
Baldwinville.

Examination of
reservoirs and
mill-dams by
county commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Howe of Shrewsbury, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir-dams and mill-dams by county commissioners.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Vacancies in
office of over-
seer of the poor.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Elections, —
payment of poll-
taxes by politi-
cal organiza-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill relating to the payment of poll-taxes by political organizations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 16, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Intoxicating
liquors.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill in relation to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 15, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Compulsory
school age.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the Bill raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 21, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Foreign cor-
porations.

On motion of Mr. Stearns of Salem, the Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same

leman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 21, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the Resolve for amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of a majority of the voters of a city or town to a division of the same by the incorporation of a new town was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was then read a second time, and pending the question on its coming to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 14, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Constitutional amendment,—
division of
towns.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To provide against depredations by the insect known as *Pachnobia dispar* or gypsy moth; Bills enacted.
To legalize certain acts of the town of Cohasset;
Relating to the watering of streets in cities;
To authorize the town of Weymouth to make an additional water loan;
To authorize the city of Lowell to provide for the removal and relocation of certain railroad tracks within the city;
To authorize the city of Holyoke to incur indebtedness and the limit fixed by law; and
To authorize the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company to increase its capital stock and purchase and operate the Deerfield Valley Railroad in the State of Vermont;
(Which severally originated in the House);
Which were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves:

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives; and
Providing for a further distribution of the supplement to the Public Statutes;
(Which severally originated in the Senate);
Which were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

To amend the law relating to the sale of impure milk ;
Relative to the care of ballot-boxes and furnishing of
election blanks and instructions by the Secretary of the
Commonwealth ;

To establish the fire department of the city of Lawrence ;
and

To extend the charter of the Holyoke and Northampton
Boom and Lumber Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a
third reading.

Bills :

In addition to an act in relation to the conservation of
the Connecticut River ;

To authorize the Great Barrington Gas Light Company
to dispose of its property and franchises to the Great
Barrington Electric Light Company ; and

To limit the number of candidates for the same office
who can bear the same party designation upon the official
ballot ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed
and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the use of machinery in the State Prison,
reformatories and houses of correction ;

Relating to evidence in cases of violation of certain
game laws ;

To regulate the heating of passenger cars on railroads ;
and

To require the school committee of the city of Quincy
to furnish certain estimates to the city council ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be
engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the
House Bill relating to corporate names, and the bill was
returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the
House Bill relative to the appointment of election officers
in cities, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed
accordingly.

Bill to provide for the reimbursement to cities and of part of the expense of school text-books and es was rejected, as recommended by the committee nance.

report of the committee on Taxation, reference to ext General Court, on so much of the Governor's s as relates to the inequality of the school tax, being nfinished business of yesterday, was accepted and p for concurrence.

report of the committee on Railroads, leave to aw, on the petition (recommitted) of the mayor of a, for the abolition of grade crossings in that was further considered. Mr. Gould of Chelsea l to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to te the abolition of grade crossings on Chel- ridge." Mr. Wilson of Boston moved to amend ion 1, line 2, by striking out the words "city of ea shall have the same authority," and inserting in thereof the words "cities of Boston and Chelsea hereby authorized;" also in line 6 of the same n, by striking out the words "that they have;" n lines 8 and 9 in the same section, by strik- ut the words "if said grade crossings were in nits of said city of Chelsea;" also in section 2, line striking out the words "city of," and inserting in thereof the words "cities of Boston and;" also in me line by inserting after the word "shall" the "join in said." After debate the amendments severally rejected, and the bill was substituted, by of 84 to 32, and having been read, was placed in ders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

half-past two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 13, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the
State Board of
Agriculture.

The 38th annual report of the Secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture and the 8th annual report of the State Agricultural Experiment Station was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Agriculture, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

House Document Reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Chester of Newton, —

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

Voted, That House Document No. 382, being the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, be reprinted as a House document.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Hours of labor
in factories.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of the Appleton Company and Peabody Mills, and of the Boston Manufacturing Company of Waltham; and by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of W. B. Thorn & Co. and others, — severally, against the propositions now pending before the Legislature to further reduce the hours of labor in the factories of this State.

Taxation of
personal prop-
erty.

Petition, presented by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of W. F. Atwood and others, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation.

City of Somer-
ville, — public
park.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, of the mayor of Somerville, for an act enabling said city to take land proposed to be given to said city, and other

for a public park, came from the committee on with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kilmer, the joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for consideration in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Turner of Malden, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Wells of Haverhill:—

Resolved, That on and after Wednesday, April 15, the House, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at half-past ten o'clock A.M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; and whenever the House is in session at a quarter before one o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall, except on Friday, declare adjournment until two o'clock P.M.; and whenever the House is in session at five o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare adjournment upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time.

Morning sessions of the House, recess and hour of adjournment.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the committee on Banks and Banking, no action necessary, on that portion which refers to the character, care and management of trust deposits, of so much of the messages of His Excellency the Governor of January 16 and 30 (transmitting recommendations and suggestions of various State departments and officers) as relates to the trust deposits in the custody of the Treasurer and the communication of the Treasurer relative to the subject, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park.

Treasurer and Receiver-General,—trust deposits.

Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw at the request of the parties in interest, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to borrow \$300,000 outside its debt for the construction of a new bridge across the channel between L Street and Congress Street, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Meade of

City of Boston,—bridge across the channel between L and Congress streets.

Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no action necessary, on so much of the messages

Controller of County Accounts,—trial justice system.

of His Excellency the Governor of January 16 and 30 (transmitting recommendations and suggestions of various State departments and officers) as relates to the establishment of the trial justice system, together with the communication from the Controller of County Accounts, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dewey of Boston.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary :

Commissioner
on Public
Records of
Parishes, Towns
and Counties, —
town records.

On so much of the messages of His Excellency the Governor of January 16 and 30 (transmitting recommendations and suggestions of various State departments and officers) as relates to a revision of the law in regard to town records, together with the communication from the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ; and

Report of the
Controller of
County Ac-
counts.

On the fourth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Wier of Lowell.

Reports :

Of the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary :

Report of the
Commissioners
of Prisons.

On the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons ; and

Report of the
Commissioners
of Prisons, —
Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

On the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Luther of New Bedford.

Joint special
committee, —
registration of
land titles.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the message of His Excellency the Governor, in relation to the subject of land registration and transfer ; and also on orders relative to the appointment of a special committee or commission to examine into the matter of transfer of title to real estate, and the registration and indexing of deeds or other instruments affecting the same, together with various other orders and petitions concerning the same subject, recommending the adoption of the following order : —

Resolved, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and six members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess, hear such evidence as may be submitted on public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, and consider what, if any, changes are advisable in the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate, and the title thereto; and also to consider the advisability and expediency of establishing a system of registration and of indexing such instruments and titles relating to real estate other than in addition to, or supplementary of, that now in use, including in such investigation the "Torrens system," so called.

The committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may appear proper to be made.

The committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the sergeant-at-arms, who shall also furnish all necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill relative to the qualifications of male voters (reported on orders), passed to be engrossed by the clerk, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Elections, —
qualifications of
male voters.

Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) providing for the printing of five hundred extra copies of the annual report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Printing, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Report of the
Commissioner
on Public
Records of
Parishes,
Towns and
Counties.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Marlborough, for amendment of the charter of said city providing for the filling of vacancies in the sewerage construction committee, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Marl-
borough, —
vacancies in
sewerage con-
struction com-
mittee.

Reports of Committees.

Message from
the Governor,—
management of
the State Prison.

By Mr. Luther of New Bedford, from the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, in relation to the condition of affairs at the State Prison, and recommending certain changes in the law relating to the management thereof. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Luther of New Bedford, and sent up for concurrence.

Pharmacists,—
Sunday sales.

By Mr. Rady of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of William W. Bartlett, for an amendment of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, so that registered pharmacists may make sales, except of liquor, whenever public necessity requires. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to authorize the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates to contract for a supply of water ought to pass.

State Lunatic
Hospital at
Northampton.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ought to pass, with the following new title: "Resolve providing for certain improvements and repairs at the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton."

Addison D.
Harrington.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Addison D. Harrington ought to pass.

William J.
Hume.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of William J. Hume ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve (recommitted) to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Discharged from the Orders.

motion of Mr. Barrett of Malden, the Bill to give Administration of estates of deceased persons. probate courts jurisdiction in equity in the administration of the estates of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

motion of Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, the Bill to amend Pilots for Boston harbor. chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the appointment of pilots for the harbor of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 22, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill imposing Collateral inheritance tax. collateral inheritance tax was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed seventh in the orders of the day for that day.

motion of Mr. Luther of New Bedford, the Bill to Probation officers. provide for the appointment of probation officers was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Finance, pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day for that day.

motions of Mr. Keliher of Boston, the report of the Committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of the mayor of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to build a Bridge from Boston proper to East Boston.

bridge from the city proper to East Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 20, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Chelsea,
—grade cross-
ings.

On motion of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the Bill to promote the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize any city or town to lease its public buildings or a part thereof to veteran firemen's associations ;

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to elect a city engineer ;

To authorize the consolidation of certain street railway companies in the town of Wareham ;

In relation to certain stations of the New York and New England Railroad in Norwood ; and

Relating to temporary loans by cities and towns ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To provide additional accommodations for passengers on street railways ;

Relating to stables in cities ; and

To authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the State Prison at Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to collect certain statistics and inquire into the subject of pensioning railroad employees injured in the discharge of their duty ; and

In favor of Isaac D. Pease ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

providing for the erection of memorial tablets on the
field of Gettysburg (which originated in the Sen-
ate severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :
the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to Orders of the day.
to, on an order relative to providing that whenever
amendments to the Constitution are submitted
people the full text thereof shall be printed on the
or that the voters shall, in some manner, be fur-
with more definite information concerning the pro-
change ; and
the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to leg-
on an order relative to amending that part of
of 80 of the Public Statutes relating to offensive
, so as to require any one who desires to occupy or
buildings or premises for carrying on any of such
, to first obtain permission from the city council,
of the board of aldermen of the city in which the
ing or premises are situated, and to provide for an
to the State Board of Health ;
are severally accepted, in concurrence.

Reports :
relating to the qualifications of special police officers
liability for assaults by unqualified persons ;
authorize the city of Haverhill to borrow money
and the limit fixed by law for the purpose of perma-
street and other improvements ;
provide a uniform system of counting and canvass-
ing ;
change the name of the Court City of Lawrence,
379, Ancient Order of Foresters, Friendly Society ;
amend the charter of the city of Cambridge ;
requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir-dams
fill-dams by county commissioners ;
confirm the proceedings of the First Congregational
Church and Society in Baldwinville ;
establish a sinking fund for the State House loan
the year 1901 ;
relative to the care of deposits made with the Treasurer
Receiver-General, in trust ;

Relating to the sinking funds of the Commonwealth;
and

Relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor; and the

Resolve providing for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Relative to the care of ballot-boxes and furnishing of election blanks and instructions by the Secretary of the Commonwealth; and

To extend the charter of the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Concerning the volunteer militia; and

Conferring certain powers upon the chiefs of fire departments in cities;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation regulating the procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners, was further considered. Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the procedure by and before commissions or commissioners established under the laws of this Commonwealth." After debate the bill was substituted, by a vote of 108 to 42, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Resolve in favor of Simon E. Young was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend section 66 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the hour of opening the polls, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Hutchinson of Boston moved to amend in line 5 by inserting, after

word "six," the words "and by inserting after the word 'forenoon,' in the third line thereof, the words, 'and may be kept open until five o'clock in the afternoon ;'" by adding at the end of the bill the following words : "and may be kept open until five o'clock in the afternoon."

Olmstead of Boston raised the point of order that amendments were broader in their scope than the order on which the bill was reported. The Speaker stated the order contemplated legislation relative to the opening of the polls and not to the closing of the same, and therefore declared the point of order well taken, and the amendments were ruled out. After debate the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning contingent remainders was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 22.

The Bill to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of practitioners was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Finney of Plymouth, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 42 to 86.

The Bill in relation to the examination and auditing of public accounts was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Rice of Worcester, at five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 14, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Committee on Manufactures.

Committee on
Manufactures,
—municipal
lighting.

The committee on Manufactures, who were instructed to report in print, on their return from their visit to Philadelphia, Wheeling and other places outside the State, and also Danvers in this State, the results of their observations and information obtained concerning municipal lighting, submitted their report. On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the report was read by its concluding paragraph and sent to the Senate. (See House, No. 434.)

Introduced on Leave.

Essex County,—
superior court
stenographer.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, a Bill defining the duties of the official stenographer of the superior court for Essex County. The bill was read. The committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Wardwell, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Remonstrances.

The following remonstrances were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Hours of labor
in factories.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Clark of Palmer, of John Chase & Sons, and of Holden & Fuller and others; by Mr. Clark of Boston, of the Sewall and Day Cordage Company and others; by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of the Plymouth Woolen Company and others; and by Mr. Hemenway of Canton, of the American Net and Twine Company, — severally, against the propositions now pending to further reduce the hours of labor in the factories of this State.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered:—

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday, April 15, the House, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at half-ten o'clock A.M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; whenever the House is in session at a quarter before one o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall, except on Friday, declare a recess until two o'clock P.M.; and whenever the House is in session at five o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare an adjournment upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time. Mr. Hemenway of Canton moved to amend by striking out the words "Wednesday, April 15," and inserting in place thereof the words "Tuesday, April 21," which motion was adopted by a vote of 86 to 57. Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend by striking out the words "one o'clock" and inserting in place thereof the words "four forty-five o'clock." The question was first put on striking the words "five o'clock" to remain in the order, which was rejected, and the amendment moved by Mr. Turner was adopted. Mr. Turner further moved to amend by striking out all after the word "adjournment," to wit, "upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time," which was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

The following order, offered by Mr. Rice of Worcester, at his request, laid over until to-morrow:—

Ordered, That on and after Monday, April 20, 1891, debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

Morning sessions of the House, recess and hour of adjournment.

Limit of debate on matters before the House.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to adopt, on an order relative to amending section 6 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to nominations for city offices.

Elections, — nomination of candidates for city offices.

nations in electoral districts and divisions, by providing for the nomination, by caucus, of candidates for city offices; and

Grade crossings.

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 428 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the abolition of grade crossings, by striking out in line 8 the words "directors of the company," and inserting in place thereof the words "railroad commissioners," so that a decision involving a change in the grade of the railroad may be made with the consent of the railroad commissioners without requiring the consent of the directors of the company (Mr. Kimball of the Senate dissenting);

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Insurance upon the life of another.

The House report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the placing of insurance by one person upon the life of another person so as (1) to prohibit the effecting of such insurance upon persons under a special age, and so as (2) to prohibit such insurance upon a person who has no knowledge thereof, accepted by the House and sent up for concurrence, came down for concurrence in its recommittal to the committee on Insurance. The House non-concurred, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Elections in cities, — aldermen-at-large.

A Bill relative to designating, on the general ballot, the number of the ward of which a candidate for alderman-at-large is a resident (reported on an order); and

Resolves:

Carney Hospital.

In favor of the Carney Hospital (reported on a petition); and

City of Fitchburg, — armory.

Providing for furnishing the new armory in Fitchburg (reported on so much of the report of the Adjutant-General as relates to appropriations for armories);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Land companies, — holding of land in Boston and suburbs for speculative purposes.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of Edward J. Donahue and others for the passage of a Resolve directing the Bureau of Statistics of Labor to inquire to what extent the lands in the city of Boston and suburbs are held by land companies, land syndicates

and corporations, for speculative purposes, also as ownership or rental of homes, had been referred, the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that having refused to concur with the House in the action of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, legislation necessary, on the special report of the Auditor of the Commonwealth, of expenses incurred by committees of the Legislature for publishing notices of hearings from the beginning of the present session to 1, 1891. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ladd.

Auditor of the Commonwealth,—expenses of committees of the General Court.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the special report of the Auditor was printed as a House document.

Mr. Golding of Boston, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Board of Public Safety of the city of Boston, that said city be authorized to construct and maintain its own gas and electric light plant. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,—municipal lighting.

Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the building of a dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ought to pass in the form of a “Resolve providing for building a dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester.”

State Normal School at Worcester.

Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Primary School at Monson ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

State Primary School at Monson.

Mr. Baker of Lynn, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Melrose to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting. (Messrs. Low and Cady of the Senate, and Murray of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Melrose,—municipal lighting.

Mr. Child of Swanzey, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Marblehead to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting. (Messrs. Low and Cady of the Senate, and Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Marblehead,—municipal lighting.

Mr. Knowlton of Hamilton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Peabody to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting.

Town of Peabody,—municipal lighting.

lighting. (Messrs. Low and Cady of the Senate, and Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of
Hingham,—
municipal
lighting.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Hingham to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting. (Messrs. Low and Cady of the Senate, and Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Dan-
vers,—electric
light plant.

By Mr. Coburn of Hopkinton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to legalize the action of the town of Danvers in establishing an electric light plant, and to enable said town of Danvers to generate and distribute electric light and power for public and private uses. (Messrs. Low and Cady of the Senate, and Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.)

Assessors of
taxes,—lists of
property for
assessment.

By Mr. Edson of Barnstable, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition, a Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors. (Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Paper for public
records.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to paper for public records ought to pass.

Bowdoin Col-
lege.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relating to the president and trustees of Bowdoin College ought to pass.

Care and cus-
tody of town
records.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the care and custody of town records ought to pass.

State Normal
School in
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide additional facilities and improvements at the State Normal School in Bridgewater ought to pass.

Atlas map of
Massachusetts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the gratuitous distribution of the atlas map of Massachusetts to certain departments and persons ought to pass. (Messrs. Ladd of Boston and Peterson of Whitman dissenting.)

Assessors of
taxes,—fur-
nishing of
blanks.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks ought to pass.

Statistics of
deposits in
savings banks.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks ought to pass.

Lemuel Burr.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr ought to pass.

Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that resolve to provide for collating, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops of the period of the revolutionary war ought to pass. (Messrs. Hemen- of Canton and Rideout of Cambridge dissenting.)

Muster rolls of
Massachusetts
revolutionary
troops.

Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, the Senate Bill concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents ought to pass.

Printing and
distribution of
certain public
documents.

Mr. Emery of Taunton, from the committee on Names and Religious Societies, that the Bill (introduced in the House) relating to officers of incorporated churches ought to pass.

Officers of
incorporated
churches.

severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Stevens of Boston moved to reconsider the vote by the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to regulate the practice of medicine by the registration of practitioners, which motion was lost by a vote of 45 to 114.

Practice of
medicine.

Taken from the Table.

The motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the Resolve authorizing the change of name on the pedestal of the bust in the State House, marked Samuel Adams to that of Washington, was taken from the table, and was ordered to a third reading.

Bust in Doric
Hall, State
House, marked
Samuel Adams.

Discharged from the Orders.

The motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the Bill relating to the trial of indictments for capital crimes was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on bringing it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Trials of indict-
ments for
capital crimes.

Bills Enacted.

The following bills were passed and sent to the Senate:
1. To authorize the city of Quincy to construct a system of sewerage; and
2. To authorize the city of Chelsea to provide for paying and refunding its funded debt;
(Which severally originated in the House);
These were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Appropriating \$10,000 for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates to contract for a supply of water ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the payment of supervisors who served at the State election in the city of Boston in the year 1889 ;

In favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ;

In favor of Addison D. Harrington ; and

In favor of William J. Hume ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Finance, by striking out, in line 2, the words "one thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words "five hundred," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Concerning the implied revocation of wills and the lapse of devises and legacies ;

To amend the law relating to the sale of impure milk ;

To establish the fire department of the city of Lawrence ;

To change the name of the Court City of Lawrence, No. 6679, Ancient Order of Foresters, Friendly Society ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the First Congregational Church and Society in Baldwinville ; and the

Resolve in favor of Simon E. Young ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Haverhill to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law, for the purpose of permanent street and other improvements ;

To establish a sinking fund for the State House loan due in the year 1901 ; and

Relating to the sinking funds of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

the Bill in relation to the examination and auditing of the accounts, being the unfinished business of yesterday was further considered, and, after the debate, was ordered a third reading.

The Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes, relating to the hours of labor of minors and persons employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, was further considered, the question being ordered to a third reading. Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend in section 1, lines 5 and 22, respectively, by striking out the word "eight" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nine." On motion of Mr. Josky of Boston, the previous question was ordered. Amendments moved by Mr. Tucker were severally rejected. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 72 yeas to 60 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Mr. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Heffernan, Edward J.
Babson, Fitz J.	Hevey, Thomas D.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Hodges, William D.
Baker, Charles H.	Howard, Timothy
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Hurley, John T.
Boodey, Charles H.	Kelly, Charles A.
Breen, Daniel F.	Knox, James W.
Bright, Elmer H.	Lakin, James A.
Brophy, James L.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Butler, William M.	Luby, Patrick B.
Cannon, Patrick	Luther, Haile R.
Cannon, William	Lynch, John B.
Carroll, Michael	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Carter, James H.	McAnally, Frank
Chance, Charles J.	McCarthy, Daniel
Coburn, Clarence G.	McDonald, Peter J.
Coffey, John H.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Curtis, Francis C.	McKenna, George B.
Fallon, J. Otis	McLoughlin, John T.
Ferren, Myron J.	McSolla, Richard F.
Gale, John A.	Mellen, James H.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Golding, John	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Harriman, Charles H.	Moriarty, Eugene M.

Messrs. O'Brien, John J.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Presno, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Reid, James
 Salter, John J.
 Savage, Patrick J.

Messrs. Shaw, Ebenezer
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stearns, William H.
 Swallow, George N.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Tucker, George F.
 Waterman, Eben C.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brown, George H.
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Chester, Dwight
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clarke, George E.
 Clough, George S.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hemenway, Augustus

Messrs. Henderson, Charles W.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hinckley, Charles E.
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 McFethries, John
 Moore, Charles
 Newell, Charles B.
 Oakes, William H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Ramage, James
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.

s. Wardwell, J. Otis	Messrs. Wilder, Aaron O.
Weston, Thomas	Wilson, William Power
Wetherell, Barney T.	Withington, Nathan N.
Wheaton, Henry C.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
White, Franklin B.	Worcester, Charles F.
Whitney, Edwin	Wright, William J.
Wier, Fred N.	

Yeas, 72 ; Nays, 87.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

s. Capen, Robert P.*
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fallon, Thomas F.*
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.*
 Parker, James O.*
 Herrod, Edward E.*
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Burke, James F.
 Brock, Lemuel M.*
 Carter, Richard A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Rosnosky, Isaac*
 Pomeroy, John P.*
 Turner, Charles W.*
 McLean, Isaac*
 Keliher, Thomas J.*
 Warren, Bentley W.*
 Frazer, Charles A.*
 Charles, Salem D.*
 Gould, David E.

NAYS.

Messrs. Fletcher, Charles T.
 Sohler, William D.*
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.*
 Perkins, George W.*
 Danforth, John M.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Sawyer, Samuel L.*
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.*
 Monk, Hiram A.*
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Thompson, Edwin D.*
 Hinds, John F.*
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Meade, William E.
 Stevens, William S.*

* Present.

The Bill relative to fishing in the Merrimack River was
 up. Pending the question on its engrossment, the
 yeas, —

A motion of Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, at seven
 o'clock past five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 15, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Prorogation of the General Court.

Mr. Butler of New Bedford presented the following resolution, which was read and adopted, and sent up for concurrence : —

Prorogation of
the General
Court.

Resolved, That on the fifteenth day of May next, the Legislature, if not prorogued at a prior date, request His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Introduced on Leave.

Bond
investment
companies.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, a Bill to prohibit the issuing of certain obligations. The bill was read. The committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Wardwell, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Petition.

State Dairy
Commission.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gale of Haverhill, of W. S. Meserve and others, in aid of the order for the establishment of a State Dairy Commission, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Limit of debate
on matters
before the
House.

Ordered, That on and after Monday, April 20, 1891, in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend in line 3 striking out the word "ten" and inserting in place of the word "fifteen." After debate the previous motion was ordered, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford. The amendment was rejected, and the order adopted.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hall of Waltham,—

Resolved, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that when a city establishes a board of license commissioners under the provisions of section 28 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes such board shall also have the power to grant innkeepers' and common victuallers' licenses in such city under the provisions of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, — one from the committee on Rules with the statement of the same within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hall, the 12th joint rule was suspended by vote of 102 to 2, and the order was adopted and sent to the concurrence.

Intoxicating liquors,—innholders' and common victuallers' licenses.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park:—

Resolved, That the committee on Public Health be continued until Wednesday, April 22, in which to report the message of His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a report of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of labor, on the "sweating system," so called.

Committee on Public Health.

is:

relating to the appointment of referees to settle matters of difference between insurers and insured in case of fire;

Insurance,—settlement of losses.

relation to the deposit of public moneys with certain companies;

Deposit of public moneys with certain trust companies.

generally reported on an order); and

authorize the State Board of Agriculture to collect and circulate information relating to abandoned farms reported on the report of the Bureau of Statistics of labor relating to abandoned farms, and on an order); and generally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read and ordered to a second reading.

Abandoned farms.

is:

relating to the district police force (reported on an order); and

District police.

Height of buildings in cities.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to restrict the height of buildings in cities. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Meade of Salem, Buckley of Holyoke, Presho of Boston, and Rosnosky of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Wakefield, — municipal lighting.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting. (Messrs. Low and Cady of the Senate, and Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Hudson, — municipal lighting.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Hudson to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting. (Messrs. Low and Cady of the Senate, and Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.)

Commissioner of Corporations, — change of names of corporations.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the applications of corporations for further powers and privileges, and on orders, a Bill authorizing the Commissioner of Corporations to change the names of corporations.

Supervision of foreign corporations.

By Mr. Stearns of Salem, from the same committee, on a bill (recommitted), in part, a Bill in amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Examination of school teachers by State authority.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the examination of school teachers by State authority ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Motion to Reconsider.

Hours of labor of minors and women in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes, relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reconsideration, at the request of Mr. Burke of Quincy, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 92 yeas to 120 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

rs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Luther, Haile R.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Lynch, John B.
Boodey, Charles H.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Breen, Daniel F.	McAnally, Frank
Bright, Elmer H.	McCarthy, Daniel
Brock, Lemuel M.	McDonald, Peter J.
Brophy, James L.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Buchholz, Herman	McEttrick, Michael J.
Burke, James F.	McKenna, George B.
Butler, William M.	McLean, Isaac
Cannon, Patrick	McLoughlin, John T.
Cannon, William	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Capen, Robert P.	McSolla, Richard F.
Carroll, Michael	Mellen, James H.
Carter, James H.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Chance, Charles J.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Charles, Salem D.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Coffey, John H.	Oakes, William H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	O'Brien, John
Curtis, Samuel N.	O'Brien, John J.
Fallon, J. Otis	Parker, James O.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Penney, Alonzo
Ferren, Myron J.	Pomeroy, John P.
Finney, Elkanah	Presho, Edward W.
Frazer, Charles A.	Quincy, Josiah
Gale, John A.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Rady, Andrew J.
Golding, John	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Gould, David E.	Reid, James
Greene, Edward W.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Haggerty, Roger	Salter, John J.
Harriman, Charles H.	Savage, Patrick J.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Shaw, Charles F.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Herrod, Edward E.	Smith, Elvin L.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Howard, Timothy	Stearns, William H.
Hurley, John T.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Swallow, George N.
Kelly, Charles A.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Knox, James W.	Tilden, Charles A.
Lakin, James A.	Tilton, Frank B.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Tucker, George F.
Lewis, James A.	Turner, Charles W.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Warren, Bentley W.
Luby, Patrick B.	Waterman, Eben C.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs.	Henderson, Charles W.
	Atkins, Edwin A.		Hickox, Stephen A.
	Babson, Fitz J.		Hinckley, Charles E.
	Barrett, Harry H.		Horton, Everett S.
	Bartlett, Robert G.		Howard, S. Edward
	Bennett, Frank P.		Howe, Edward C.
	Blanchard, S. Stillman		Howe, S. Augustus
	Bliss, Frederic W.		Hunting, Amos
	Britton, Henry W.		Jenkins, Robert B.
	Brooks, Ethan		Johnson, Henry H.
	Brown, George H.		Judd, Myron H.
	Bucklin, Andrew J.		Kemp, Parker J.
	Bullock, Walter J. D.		Kenrick, John, Jr.
	Carpenter, George N.		Keyes, Charles G.
	Chester, Dwight		Kilmer, Frederick M.
	Child, Daniel R.		Kimball, John W.
	Clapp, James W.		Kirby, Albert C.
	Clark, Hiram E. W.		Kittredge, Francis W.
	Clark, Louis M.		Knowlton, George K.
	Clarke, George E.		Ladd, Nathaniel W.
	Clough, George S.		Lane, Hiram B.
	Coburn, Clarence G.		Lane, Howard G.
	Converse, Morton E.		Langdon, Henry W.
	Corbett, Myron L.		Lawrence, William B.
	Curtis, Francis C.		Leslie, Horace G.
	Danforth, John M.		Longley, Henry C.
	Day, Frederick B.		Lord, Lucien
	Dewey, Henry S.		Loud, John C.
	Dickinson, Henry S.		Marston, Dudley J.
	Dyar, Perlle A.		Mayhew, Ulysses E.
	Edson, Nathan		McFethries, John
	Ellis, Edward C.		Meade, William E.
	Emery, S. Hopkins		Monk, Hiram A.
	Ensign, Charles S.		Moore, Charles
	Fairbanks, John W.		Mott, Edward
	Fales, Nathan H.		Murray, Michael J.
	Fears, Isaac P.		Newell, Charles B.
	Fletcher, Charles T.		Olmstead, James M.
	Flood, Nathan B.		Parkhurst, Wellington E.
	Giles, Joseph J.		Perkins, George W.
	Gillett, Frederick H.		Pickering, Benjamin P.
	Goddard, Edward A.		Plummer, John M.
	Hall, Henry C.		Powers, Wilbur H.
	Handley, Aaron C.		Pratt, Amasa
	Harding, N. Frank		Prouty, John E. O.
	Hartshorn, James A.		Ramage, James
	Hemenway, Augustus		Read, Franklin F.

Messrs. Rice, William H.	Messrs. Wardwell, J. Otis
Richardson, Arthur C.	Weston, Thomas
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Sohier, William D.	White, Franklin B.
Sprague, Charles F.	Whitney, Edwin
Stevens, William S.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Taft, Henry G.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Thompson, Edwin D.	Wilson, William Power
Thurston, Lysander	Withington, Nathan N.
Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Turner, Henry E.	Worcester, Charles F.
Tuttle, William H. H.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 92 ; Nays, 120.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Peterson, Benjamin F.*	Messrs. Carpenter, Erastus P.
Mooney, William L.	Hinds, John F.*
Carter, Richard A.	Barrett, Richard F.*
Buckley, William P.	Davis, Squire S.*
Hobson, Charles H.*	Wier, Fred N.

* Present.

Recess Taken.

At 3.30 P.M. Mr. Kittredge of Boston announced that Hon. George S. Boutwell was present in the Representatives' Chamber, and moved that a recess be taken, subject to the call of the Chair, to allow the members of the House Representatives to pay their respects to the distinguished gentleman. The motion was adopted.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act relating to the adulteration of food and drugs was taken from the table, and was ordered to a third reading.

Adulteration of food and drugs.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Boston, the Bill concerning succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under

Succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons.

a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Collateral inheritance tax.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the Resolve for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of a majority of the voters of a city or town to a division and incorporation of a new town was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was ordered to a third reading. On further motion of the same gentleman, the rules were further suspended, and the resolve was read a third time, and pending the question on agreeing to the article of amendment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 23, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Assessors of taxes, — lists of property for assessment.

On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, the Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Taxation, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 23.

Assessors of taxes, — furnishing of blanks.

On further motion of Mr. Edson, the Bill relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 23.

Assessors of taxes, — lists of personal property for assessment.

On further motion of Mr. Edson, the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property

he assessors was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 23.

On motion of Mr. Gale of Haverhill, the Bill regulating the reserves of trust companies, and safe deposit, loan and trust companies, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 23.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies,—
reserves.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the Bill to regulate the procedure by and before commissions or commissioners established under the laws of this Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 21, to be read third in the orders of the day for that day.

Procedure by
and before
boards of public
officers and
commissioners.

On motions of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 428 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the abolition of grade crossings, by striking out in line 8 the words "directors of the company," and inserting in place thereof the words "railroad commissioners," so that a decision involving a change of the grade of the railroad may be made with the consent of the railroad commissioners without requiring the consent of the directors of the company, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Grade crossings.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, the Bill relating to officers of incorporated churches was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, and by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third

Officers of
incorporated
churches.

time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relating to amending section 6 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to nominations in electoral districts and divisions, by providing for the nomination, by caucus, of candidates for city offices ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that taxes shall be assessed upon the location or other privileges granted by cities and towns to corporations, the same to be deducted from the value of their capital stock, as is now done in the case of real estate and machinery ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to paper for public records ; and

Relating to the care and custody of town records ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Lemuel Burr ;

To provide for collating, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops of the period of the revolutionary war ;

Providing for building a dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Primary School at Monson ;

To provide additional facilities at the State Normal School in Bridgewater ;

Relating to the president and trustees of Bowdoin College ; and

In favor of the Carney Hospital ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes ;

Appropriating \$10,000 for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ; and

authorize the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for the Insane to contract for a supply of water; and
resolves:

Providing for the payment of supervisors who served in the State election in the city of Boston in the year 1889; in favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton; in favor of Addison D. Harrington; in favor of William J. Hume; and authorizing the change of the name on the pedestal of the statue in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams to Washington Adams the title having been changed by the committee on Bills (on the Third Reading); were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the care of deposits made with the Treasurer and Receiver-General, in trust; and the resolve providing for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire; were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to appointments on the Governor's staff was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, in lines 7 and 34, respectively, by striking out the word "now" and inserting in place thereof the words "at the time of appointment;" also in lines 8 and 34, respectively, by striking before the word "militia" the word "volunteer" and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to fishing in the Merrimack River, being unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Kelihier of Boston, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered. After debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas, —

On motion of Mr. Baker of Lynn, at ten minutes past five o'clock adjourned, by a vote of 119 to 13.

THURSDAY, April 16, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, of William L. Johnson and 25 others of Uxbridge; by Mr. Howard of Newton, of C. M. Rooney and 15 others of Newtonville; by Mr. Brown of North Brookfield, of J. M. Cavanaugh and 71 others of Warren; by Mr. Williams of Dudley, of John Legg and 20 others of Charlton City; and of Samuel S. Silon and 40 others of Southbridge; by Mr. Thurston of Enfield, of L. D. Hinckley and 12 others of Ware; by Mr. Smith of Mansfield, of Francis W. Spaulding and 71 others of Mansfield; by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, of R. G. F. Candage and 94 others of Brookline; by Mr. Howe of Shrewsbury, of George A. Burrows and 31 others of North Grafton; by Mr. Worcester of Townsend, of T. J. J. Harvey and 18 others of Townsend; by Mr. Luther of New Bedford, of Martin A. Wood and 24 others of New Bedford; by Mr. Hall of Waltham, of E. C. Shaw and 16 others of Waltham; by Mr. Ramage of Holyoke, of H. L. Thayer and others of Holyoke; by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, of Robert Slater and 42 others of Attleborough and Dodgeville; by Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, of Herbert McIntosh and 23 others of Worcester; by Mr. Swallow of Boston, of S. W. Benson and 44 others of Charlestown; by Mr. Brophy of Framingham, of Arthur Hamill and 29 others of Framingham; by Mr. Kemp of Pepperell, of Benjamin P. Williams and 28 others of Groton; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, of Leslie M. Frye and 44 others of Marlborough; by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, of Alfred O. Young and 81 others of Springfield; by Mr. Weston of Hingham, of D. O. Wade and 22 others of Nantasket; by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, of Thomas J. Lewis and 64 others of Provincetown; by Mr. Warren

oston, of John E. Findlay and 39 others, and of
ard F. Coolidge and 40 others of Allston; by Mr.
anks of Westborough, of Justin S. Eaton and 57
s of Westborough; by Mr. McEttrick of Boston,
J. Devaney and 31 others; by Mr. Bullard
utton, of Daniel J. Dempsey and 31 others
Millbury; by Mr. Ellis of Boston, of Charles
Stone and 18 others; by Mr. Taft of Worces-
of C. H. Darling and 74 others of Worcester;
r. Tucker of New Bedford, of Luther G. Hewins
5 others of New Bedford; by Mr. Clark of Palmer,
apoleon Barrett and 35 others of Ludlow; by Mr.
e of Waltham, of E. V. Averill and 20 others of
ham; by Mr. Howe of Gardner, of Joseph Moreau
3 others of Gardner; by Mr. Wilder of Leominster,
Charles E. Hunt and 113 others of Leominster; by
Parkhurst of Clinton, of Samuel Booth and 102
s of Clinton; by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of Walter
rowth and 50 others; by Mr. McCarthy of Boston,
rgil L. Wilson and 55 others; and by Mr. Tilden
ston, of William O. Wilson and others, — severally,
gislation enabling the maintenance of a larger reserve
by fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Parkhurst of
on, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of
Gould of Chelsea: —

Ordered, That the Board of Railroad Commissioners be
ested to investigate as to whether there has been any
asonable refusal or neglect on the part of railroad
orations to furnish comfortable and satisfactory depot
ommodations at any railroad junction stations in this
monwealth, and report their findings to the next
slature.

Railroad Com-
missioners, —
depot accommo-
dations on rail-
roads.

Minority Views Printed.

W. Wilson of Boston gave notice that when the Bill
ng to the location, laying out and construction of
ways in the city of Boston was reached in the calen-
e would move certain amendments, and moved that
amendments, together with a report submitting his
s as a dissenting member of the committee, be printed
House document. The motion prevailed.

City of Boston,
— laying out of
streets.

Practice of
pharmacy.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, the Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to the weekly payment of wages by corporations ;
To authorize the town of Stoneham to aid the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad ;

Relating to assistance to voters in case of disability ;
To readjust the division lines between the city of Cambridge and the town of Belmont ;

To confirm proceedings of town meetings heretofore held during the present year ;

To incorporate the Lexington Print Works ;

To authorize the shareholders in the Falmouth Highlands Trust to take water from Long Pond in Falmouth ;

To supply the town of Easthampton with water ;

Relating to corporate names ;

To incorporate the Exeter and Amesbury Railroad Company ;

To authorize the " Order of Nine Hundred Dollars " to change its corporate name ;

To authorize the city of Chelsea to refund a portion of its water indebtedness ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Waltham ;

Relative to the board of public works for the city of New Bedford ;

To require the school committee of the city of Quincy to furnish estimates to the city council ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the several counties, except Suffolk, to provide for the arranging and indexing of the probate records in their respective counties ; and

Relative to the appointment of election officers in cities ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To establish a sinking fund for the State House loan due in the year 1901 ;

Conferring certain powers upon the chiefs of fire departments in cities ;

Concerning the volunteer militia ;
To authorize the city of Haverhill to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law, for the purpose of permanent street and other improvements ;

Relating to the sinking funds of the Commonwealth ;
To regulate the heating of passenger cars on railroads ;
To provide for the use of machinery in the State Prison, reformatories and houses of correction ;

Relating to the trials in the superior court without a jury ; and

Relating to evidence in cases of violation of certain game laws ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Alonzo D. Fisher ;

Resolves passed.

In favor of James H. Sears ;

Providing for certain improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ;

Providing for furnishing the new cottage, and for additional hospital accommodations at the Lyman School for Boys ; and

Providing for printing the third annual report of the State Pension Agent ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Relative to designating, on the general ballot, the number of the ward of which a candidate for alderman-at-large is a resident ;

Orders of the day.

Changing the boundary between the cities of Boston and Somerville ; and

To authorize the State Board of Agriculture to collect and circulate information relating to abandoned farms ; and the

Resolve providing for furnishing the new armory in Fitchburg ;

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Bills :

Relative to designating, on the general ballot, the number of the ward of which a candidate for alderman-at-large is a resident ;

Orders of the day.

Changing the boundary between the cities of Boston and Somerville ; and

To authorize the State Board of Agriculture to collect and circulate information relating to abandoned farms ; and the

Resolve providing for furnishing the new armory in Fitchburg ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Practice of
pharmacy.**

On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, the Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.***Bills enacted.****Engrossed bills :**

Relating to the weekly payment of wages by corporations ;
To authorize the town of Stoneham to aid the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad ;

Relating to assistance to voters in case of disability ;

To readjust the division lines between the city of Cambridge and the town of Belmont ;

To confirm proceedings of town meetings heretofore held during the present year ;

To incorporate the Lexington Print Works ;

To authorize the shareholders in the Falmouth Highlands Trust to take water from Long Pond in Falmouth ;

To supply the town of Easthampton with water ;

Relating to corporate names ;

To incorporate the Exeter and Amesbury Railroad Company ;

To authorize the " Order of Nine Hundred Dollars " to change its corporate name ;

To authorize the city of Chelsea to refund a portion of its water indebtedness ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Waltham ;

Relative to the board of public works for the city of New Bedford ;

To require the school committee of the city of Quincy to furnish estimates to the city council ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the several counties, except Suffolk, to provide for the arranging and indexing of the probate records in their respective counties ; and

Relative to the appointment of election officers in cities ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To establish a sinking fund for the State House loan due in the year 1901 ;

Conferring certain powers upon the chiefs of fire departments in cities ;

Concerning the volunteer militia ;

To authorize the city of Haverhill to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law, for the purpose of permanent street and other improvements ;

Relating to the sinking funds of the Commonwealth ;

To regulate the heating of passenger cars on railroads ;

To provide for the use of machinery in the State Prison, reformatories and houses of correction ;

Relating to the trials in the superior court without a jury ; and

Relating to evidence in cases of violation of certain game laws ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Alonzo D. Fisher ;

Resolves passed.

In favor of James H. Sears ;

Providing for certain improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ;

Providing for furnishing the new cottage, and for additional hospital accommodations at the Lyman School for Boys ; and

Providing for printing the third annual report of the State Pension Agent ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Relative to designating, on the general ballot, the number of the ward of which a candidate for alderman-at-large is a resident ;

Orders of the day.

Changing the boundary between the cities of Boston and Somerville ; and

To authorize the State Board of Agriculture to collect and circulate information relating to abandoned farms ; and the

Resolve providing for furnishing the new armory in Fitchburg ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves :

In favor of Lemuel Burr ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Primary School at Monson ; and

To provide additional facilities at the State Normal School in Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves :

Relating to the president and trustees of Bowdoin College ; and

In favor of the Carney Hospital ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House Bill relating to declaration of dividends by certain insurance companies, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill in relation to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Day of Boston raised the following points of order : —

First. That the bill is broader than the scope of the order on which it is based ;

Second. That the bill in substance is the same as a matter already finally acted upon by the House ;

Third. That the report was improperly made by the committee, and therefore not properly before the House, as the committee had exhausted its power over the subject-matter by having previously reported upon the same subject-matter ; and

Fourth. That it is in violation of House Rule No. 41, which provides that " bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment."

Pending the questions of order, on motion of Mr. Day the bill was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the calendar of that day as unfinished business.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was, on motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 21, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations, was, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 21, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill relating to the payment of poll-taxes by political organizations was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 5, by inserting after the word "shall" the words "verbally or;" also in line 11 of the same section, by inserting after the word "requested" the words "verbally or." After debate Mr. Lanigan of Boston moved the previous question, pending which, and pending the main question ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, at nineteen minutes past five o'clock adjourned, by a vote of 54 to 53.

FRIDAY, April 17, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Emery of Taunton, a member of the House.

*Report Received.*Report of the
State Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

The eighth annual report of the Board of Control of the State Agricultural Experiment Station was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Agriculture, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Rice of Worcester, of Orlando Mixter and 55 others of Worcester; by Mr. Converse of Winchendon, of Lewis G. Davis and 24 others of West Gardner; by Mr. Fletcher of Lancaster, of Francis A. Stuart and 30 others of Sterling and East Princeton; by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of J. J. Callanan and 13 others of Holyoke; by Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, of Digna Morel and 16 others of Hudson; and by Mr. Howard of Newton, of G. P. Atkins and others of Newton, — severally, for legislation enabling the maintenance of a larger reserve fund by fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Subterranean
railways in the
counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

Petition, presented by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, of N. Foster, Jr., and others, in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spaulding, for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

Somerville
Trust Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Giles of Somerville, of Edward Glines and others, for an act of incorporation as the Somerville Trust Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Giles, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Lakin of Westfield, of Horace Parks and 11 others of Russell, for a law regulating the width of the tires of wagons used for heavy teaming, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. The petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Width of tires
of wagons.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That the Board of Railroad Commissioners be requested to investigate as to whether there has been any unreasonable refusal or neglect on the part of railroad corporations to furnish comfortable and satisfactory depot accommodations at any railroad junction stations in this Commonwealth, and report their finding to the next Legislature.

Railroad Commissioners, —
depot accommodations on railroads.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bill of Paxton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, authorizing the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, so that towns which have accepted the provisions of said act may revoke said acceptance at any meeting called thirty days at least prior to the annual town meeting, —

Town elections,
— Australian system of voting.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. Mr. Bill moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was lost by a vote of 55 to 18, four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative, and the order was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater and the State Almshouse at Tewksbury are required to make their annual reports (being a new draft of a House Bill changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm are required to make their annual report) ; and

State Farm at
Bridgewater, —
State Almshouse at
Tewksbury.

**Elections,—
certificates of
nomination and
nomination
papers.**

In addition to an act defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers (reported on orders) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

**City of Lowell,
—pension for
police officers.**

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George W. Fifield and others to authorize the city of Lowell to pension certain police officers. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

**Administration
of estates of
deceased per-
sons.**

By Mr. Barrett of Malden, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (recommitted) to require an affidavit in petitions for administration of estates of deceased persons ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and ordered to a second reading.

**Report of the
Commissioner
on Public
Records of Par-
ishes, Towns
and Counties.**

By Mr. Bill of Paxton, from the committee on Printing, that the Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) providing for the printing of 500 extra copies of the second report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ought to pass. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

**Successions to
the real and per-
sonal estate of
deceased per-
sons.**

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the Bill concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

**Collateral inher-
itance tax.**

On further motion of Mr. Ensign, the Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

On motions of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill to provide for the appointment of probation officers was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Finance, pending the amendment moved by Mr. Luther of New Bedford and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Probation
officers.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the Resolve relative to the celebration of the dedication of the Bennington battle monument at Bennington, Vt., Aug. 16, 1891, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time. Mr. Carpenter moved to amend, in line 5, by striking out the word "on" and inserting in place thereof the word "in;" also in the same line, by striking out the word "sixteenth;" also in line 14, by striking out the words "staff, lieutenant-governor and," and inserting in place thereof the words "not more than ten members of his staff, three members of the;" also in line 17, by inserting after the word "representatives" the words "the joint committee on Federal Relations;" also in line 18, by striking out the word "three" and inserting in place thereof the word "five;" also in line 19, by striking out the word "eight" and inserting in place thereof the word "fourteen;" also in lines 22 and 23, by striking out the words "legislative reporters" and inserting in place thereof the words "reporter from each Boston daily paper." The amendments were severally adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Representation
of Massachu-
setts at the
dedication of
the Bennington,
Vt., monument.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the Bill to establish a commission to promote rapid transit for the city of Boston and its suburbs was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time. Mr. Sohier moved to amend in section 8, line 1, by striking out the word "any" and inserting in place thereof the word "the;" also in line 2, by striking out the words "any corporation or person" and inserting in place thereof the words "the West End Street Railway Company;" also in line 7, by inserting, before the word "is," the words "to it." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Elevated rail-
roads, — rapid
transit com-
mission.

Bridge across
the Connecticut
River between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the Bill in addition to an act to provide for laying out a highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecticut River, between Holyoke and Chicopee, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Boston,
— Charles River
Embankment.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the
day.

In relation to the deposit of public moneys with certain trust companies ;

Relating to the appointment of referees to settle matters of difference between insurers and insured in cases of loss by fire ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

To establish the salaries of the register and assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex ; and

Authorizing the city of Salem and the town of Beverly to take land for the purpose of preserving the purity of their water supply ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the State Normal School at Salem ; and

To provide for the erection of a statue of the late Charles Devens ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill changing the boundary between the cities of Boston and Somerville ; and the

Resolve providing for building a dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to paper for public records;

Relative to designating, on the general ballot, the number of the ward of which a candidate for alderman-at-large is a resident; and

To authorize the State Board of Agriculture to collect and circulate information relating to abandoned farms; and the

Resolve providing for furnishing the new armory in Fitchburg;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the payment of poll-taxes by political organizations was further considered. The pending motion for the previous question was adopted. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Lanigan of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 101 yeas to 68 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Edson, Nathan
Baker, Charles H.	Emery, S. Hopkins
Barrett, Richard F.	Fairbanks, John W.
Bennett, Frank P.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bill, Ledyard	Fears, Isaac P.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Fletcher, Charles T.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Flood, Nathan B.
Britton, Henry W.	Gardner, Arthur H.
Brooks, Ethan	Giles, Joseph J.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Butler, William M.	Goddard, Edward A.
Carpenter, George N.	Greene, Edward W.
Chester, Dwight	Harding, N. Frank
Child, Daniel R.	Hartshorn, James A.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Hinds, John F.
Clark, Louis M.	Hodges, William D.
Clarke, George E.	Horton, Everett S.
Clough, George S.	Howard, S. Edward
Coburn, Clarence G.	Howe, Edward C.
Curtis, Francis C.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Danforth, John M.	Johnson, Henry H.
Davis, Squire S.	Kenrick, John, Jr.
Dewey, Henry S.	Keyes, Charles G.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Kimball, John W.

Messrs. Kirby, Albert C.

Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lewis, James A.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 Meade, William E.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Oakes, William H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Salter, John J.

Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stevens, William S.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Wilson, William Power
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.**Messrs. Anderson, Stephen**

Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fallon, Thomas F.

Messrs. Finney, Elkanah

Golding, John
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hurley, John T.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McKenna, George B.	Messrs. Raftery, Patrick H.
McLean, Isaac	Reid, James
McLoughlin, John T.	Richardson, Arthur C.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Savage, Patrick J.
Mellen, James H.	Smith, Elvin L.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Mooney, William L.	Stearns, William H.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Sullivan, Michael F.
O'Brien, John J.	Thurston, Lysander
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Tilden, Charles A.
Parker, James O.	Tilton, Frank B.
Peterson, Benjamin F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Quincy, Josiah	Wetherell, Barney T.
Rady, Andrew J.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 101 ; Nays, 68.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Bullard, Henry B.	Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac*
Kittredge, Francis W.	Moriarty, Eugene M.*
Fales, Nathan H.*	Fallon, J. Otis
Clapp, James W.	Nutting, Arthur F.*
Hunting, Amos*	O'Brien, John
Corbett, Myron L.*	Ripley, Samuel E.
Moore, Charles*	Ramage, James
Dickinson, Henry S.	Charles, Salem D.*

* Present.

The Bill to give to the probate courts jurisdiction in equity in the administration of the estates of deceased persons was taken up. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, at twenty-seven minutes past two o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, April 20, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Subterranean
railways in the
counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

Petitions, presented by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of Jonathan A. Lane and 75 others; and by Mr. Sullivan of Boston, of the Master Builders' Association of the city of Boston, — severally, in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, of Frank A. Stamm and 49 others of Boston; and by Mr. Mooney of Boston, of Llewellyn Cunningham and 47 others of Neponset, — severally, for legislation enabling the maintenance of a larger reserve fund by fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Town of East
Bridgewater, —
bounties.

To authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties (reported on petitions);

City of Boston,
— public parks.

To authorize the city of Boston to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (reported on an order); and

State Prison, —
grading and
classification of
prisoners.

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Prison Commissioners, on the fourth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, and on so much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments, transmitted by the Governor, as relates to the classification, employment and compensation of prisoners); and a

Resolve authorizing the tabulation of special statistics for the United States census in the rooms of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (being a resolve introduced on leave in the House) ;

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor,—United
States census.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill relating to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Supreme Judi-
cial Court,—
equity juris-
diction.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law. Read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Cam-
bridge.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Bill of Paxton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to suspend the 12th joint rule on the following order : —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, authorizing the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, so that towns which have accepted the provisions of said act may revoke said acceptance at any meeting called thirty days at least prior to the annual town meeting.

Town elections,
— Australian
system of vot-
ing.

After debate the motion prevailed. The question recurring on the suspension of the rule, it was suspended by a vote of 95 to 4, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the liability of employers, was taken from the table, and was recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Employers'
liability.

*Discharged from the Orders.***Reinsurance.**

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the Bill to amend chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to reinsurance, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

Bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne.

On motion of Mr. Finney of Plymouth, the Bill providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time. Mr. Finney moved to amend in section 1 by striking out in lines 2 to 7, inclusive, the words "whenever the towns of Wareham and Bourne by vote of a majority of the legal voters of each of said towns present and voting at town meetings duly called for the purpose request them so to do, are hereby authorized," and inserting in place thereof the words "are hereby directed." Pending the amendment, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Records of Massachusetts troops in the revolutionary war.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Resolve to provide for collating, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops of the period of the revolutionary war was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, April 24, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Woman's Charity Club Hospital.

On further motion of Mr. Rideout, the Resolve in favor of the Woman's Charity Club Hospital was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 27, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motions of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the reports :

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Newton that section 4 of chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the abolition of grade crossings, be amended by striking out the provision that the consent of the directors of a railroad company shall first be obtained in cases where a change of grade is proposed ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled " An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: " *provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad, the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained ; "

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

In addition to an act relating to the Mystic River Corporation ;

To authorize the rebuilding and extension of the draw-fender pier of the Newburyport bridge between the city of Newburyport and the town of Salisbury ;

Relating to the discharge of mechanics' liens ;

To authorize certain voters of ward 7 in the city of Holyoke to vote in ward 3 of said city in municipal elections ; and

Authorizing appeals in certain cases from orders of inspectors of public buildings ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by the clerks of the courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk ; and

Relative to the care of deposits made with the Treasurer and Receiver-General, in trust ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

• Resolve
passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the erection of monuments in connection with the establishment of the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George W. Fifield and others, to authorize the city of Lowell to pension certain police officers, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the qualifications of male voters ;

Concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents ;

In amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto ;

Authorizing the Commissioner of Corporations to change the names of corporations ;

To require an affidavit in petitions for administration of estates of deceased persons ; and

Changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater and the State Almshouse at Tewksbury are required to make their annual reports ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In addition to an act relating to the adulteration of food and drugs ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and

To establish the salaries of the register and assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On motion of Mr. McEtrick of Boston, Rule 15 was suspended in the case of the two last-named bills.

Bills :

Relating to the appointment of referees to settle matters of difference between insurers and insured in case of loss by fire ; and

Authorizing the city of Salem to take land for the purpose of preserving the purity of its water supply (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the State Normal School at Salem ; and

To provide for the erection of a statue of the late Charles Devens ;

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The following order, reported by the joint committee on the Judiciary, was adopted, in concurrence, as recommended by the committee : —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and six members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess, hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, and consider what, if any, changes are advisable or necessary in the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate, and the title thereto ; and also to consider the advisability and expediency of establishing a system of registration and of indexing such instruments and titles relating to real estate other than, or in addition to or supplementary of, that now in use, including in such investigation the "Torrens System," so called. Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made. Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage ; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee ; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

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On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, by a vote of 64 to 44, at seventeen minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 21, 1891.

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Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, —

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On motion of the same gentleman, —

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By Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newburyport, for an act authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse said city for the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Salisbury and Amesbury, for reimbursement for rebuilding Newburyport bridge.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
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By Mr. Wilson of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on an order, in part, a Bill giving authority to the mayor of the city of Boston to make appointments without their being subject to confirmation. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Buckley of Holyoke and Rosnosky of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Salem,
—maintenance of
poles in streets.

By Mr. Stearns of Salem, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the board of aldermen of the city of Salem to regulate the maintenance and use of poles within the limits of the streets of

said city. (Messrs. Rotch and Gilman of the Senate, and Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill and Pratt of Lowell, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on City of Haverhill,— water supply. Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill in addition to an act to supply the city of Haverhill with water.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Massachusetts Reformatory. Finance, that the Resolve to provide for certain repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory ought to pass.

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By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, City of Boston, — South Bay. that the Senate Bill to change the harbor lines and provide for the improvement of South Bay in the city of Boston ought to pass.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on Bond investment companies. Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prohibit the issuing of certain obligations ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. McNamara of Boston, from the committee on Marking of places dangerous to yachts and small boats. Harbors and Public Lands, on an order (recommitted), a Resolve relative to the marking of places dangerous to yachts and small boats.

By Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, from the committee on Town of Truro. Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to assist the town of Truro in maintaining a section of its county highway known as "Beach Point Road."

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic, the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion to be reg-

Soldiers and sailors,— decoration of graves on Memorial Day.

istered, and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 27, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

**Boston and
Maine Railroad.**

On motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the Bill to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

**Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.**

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, the Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the resolve, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 27, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

**Compensation
of members of
the General
Court.**

On motion of Mr. Mitchell of Boston, the Bill providing for the compensation of the members of the Legislature was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 23, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

**Deposit of
public moneys
with certain
trust companies.**

On motion of Mr. Gale of Haverhill, the Bill in relation to the deposit of public moneys with certain trust companies was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To exempt the inhabitants of the town of Billerica from maintaining a high school ; Bills enacted.

Relating to the State Military and Naval Historian ;

To authorize the Governor and Council to take action in cases relating to grade crossings ;

To incorporate the North Essex Trust Company ;

Relative to sessions of registrars of voters in towns ;

To authorize the Great Barrington Gas Light Company to dispose of its property and franchises to the Great Barrington Electric Light Company ;

Relating to the payment of tuition in high schools by certain towns ;

To establish a registry of deeds at Fall River ;

Relative to supervisors of elections ;

Relative to the compilation of street lists by assessors of taxes ;

To confirm the proceedings in an election held in the city of New Bedford on the second day of December in the year 1890 ;

Relating to officers of incorporated churches ;

In relation to the conservation of the Connecticut River ;

To insure a more thorough registration of voters ;

Relative to filling vacancies caused by withdrawals and ineligibility of candidates ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town meeting of Nantucket, held in the month of February of the present year ; and

Relating to declaration of dividends by certain insurance companies ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to fishing in the Merrimack River (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Carney Hospital ; and

Relating to the president and trustees of Bowdoin College ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

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Bills :

To regulate the sale of candy shells enclosing liquid containing alcohol ;

In addition to an act defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law ;

To authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties ; and

To authorize the city of Boston to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ; and the

Resolve authorizing the tabulation of special statistics for the United States census in the rooms of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

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The Bill in amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto ; and the

Resolve relating to the dedication of the Bennington battle monument (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

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The Bill relative to the qualification of male voters was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the custody of city and town records and official papers was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill granting an extension of time to the Charles River Embankment Company, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend in section 1, line 10, by striking out the

word "ninety-six" and inserting in place thereof the word "ninety-four." The question was put on allowing the word "ninety" to remain in the bill, which was adopted. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was taken up. On the pending questions of order the Speaker ruled as follows :—

Four points of order have been raised against this bill, as follows :— Ruling by the
Chair.

1. That the bill is broader than the scope of the order on which it is based.

2. That the bill in substance is the same as a matter already finally acted upon by the House.

3. That the report was improperly made by the committee, and therefore not properly before the House, as the committee had exhausted its power over the subject-matter by having previously reported upon the same subject-matter.

4. That it is a violation of House Rule No. 41, which provides that bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment.

First. The order upon which this bill is based reads that the committee on the Liquor Law be instructed to consider the expediency of so amending the law as "to allow the delivery of liquor from a counter or other structure adapted to the purpose." The bill proposes to strike out the clause of the law, "shall not keep a public bar," which clearly looks in the direction indicated by the letter and spirit of the order. The Chair therefore rules that the point of order is not well taken.

Second. The point is raised that the bill has already been finally acted upon by the House, and therefore, under the rules, cannot again be considered. It is true that on a bill reported by the committee on the Liquor Law, based on the Governor's message, a substitute was offered in the House and rejected, the intent of which might by implication be construed to be the same as the bill now pending, which comes to us from the Senate. But this conclusion is inferential, for the substitute which was rejected by the House was not the same in form as the bill now under consideration, and the end sought, even if similar, was to be reached in such a different way that there is clearly a difference of treatment if not of subject. Under all the precedents, it must be treated as sufficiently distinct as not

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Bond investment companies.

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**Boston and
Maine Railroad.**

On motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the Bill to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

**Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.**

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, the Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the resolve, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 27, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

**Compensation
of members of
the General
Court.**

On motion of Mr. Mitchell of Boston, the Bill providing for the compensation of the members of the Legislature was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 23, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

**Deposit of
public moneys
with certain
trust companies.**

On motion of Mr. Gale of Haverhill, the Bill in relation to the deposit of public moneys with certain trust companies was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To exempt the inhabitants of the town of Billerica from maintaining a high school ; Bills enacted.

Relating to the State Military and Naval Historian ;

To authorize the Governor and Council to take action in cases relating to grade crossings ;

To incorporate the North Essex Trust Company ;

Relative to sessions of registrars of voters in towns ;

To authorize the Great Barrington Gas Light Company to dispose of its property and franchises to the Great Barrington Electric Light Company ;

Relating to the payment of tuition in high schools by certain towns ;

To establish a registry of deeds at Fall River ;

Relative to supervisors of elections ;

Relative to the compilation of street lists by assessors of taxes ;

To confirm the proceedings in an election held in the city of New Bedford on the second day of December in the year 1890 ;

Relating to officers of incorporated churches ;

In relation to the conservation of the Connecticut River ;

To insure a more thorough registration of voters ;

Relative to filling vacancies caused by withdrawals and ineligibility of candidates ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town meeting of Nantucket, held in the month of February of the present year ; and

Relating to declaration of dividends by certain insurance companies ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to fishing in the Merrimack River (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Carney Hospital ; and

Relating to the president and trustees of Bowdoin College ;

Resolves
passed.

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

To regulate the sale of candy shells enclosing liquid containing alcohol ;

In addition to an act defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law ;

To authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties ; and

To authorize the city of Boston to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ; and the

Resolve authorizing the tabulation of special statistics for the United States census in the rooms of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto ; and the

Resolve relating to the dedication of the Bennington battle monument (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the qualification of male voters was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the custody of city and town records and official papers was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill granting an extension of time to the Charles River Embankment Company, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend in section 1, line 10, by striking out the

word "ninety-six" and inserting in place thereof the word "ninety-four." The question was put on allowing the word "ninety" to remain in the bill, which was adopted. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was taken up. On the pending questions of order the Speaker ruled as follows : —

Four points of order have been raised against this bill, as follows : — Ruling by the Chair.

1. That the bill is broader than the scope of the order on which it is based.

2. That the bill in substance is the same as a matter already finally acted upon by the House.

3. That the report was improperly made by the committee, and therefore not properly before the House, as the committee had exhausted its power over the subject-matter by having previously reported upon the same subject-matter.

4. That it is a violation of House Rule No. 41, which provides that bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment.

First. The order upon which this bill is based reads that the committee on the Liquor Law be instructed to consider the expediency of so amending the law as "to allow the delivery of liquor from a counter or other structure adapted to the purpose." The bill proposes to strike out the clause of the law, "shall not keep a public bar," which clearly looks in the direction indicated by the letter and spirit of the order. The Chair therefore rules that the point of order is not well taken.

Second. The point is raised that the bill has already been finally acted upon by the House, and therefore, under the rules, cannot again be considered. It is true that on a bill reported by the committee on the Liquor Law, based on the Governor's message, a substitute was offered in the House and rejected, the intent of which might by implication be construed to be the same as the bill now pending, which comes to us from the Senate. But this conclusion is inferential, for the substitute which was rejected by the House was not the same in form as the bill now under consideration, and the end sought, even if similar, was to be reached in such a different way that there is clearly a difference of treatment if not of subject. Under all the precedents, it must be treated as sufficiently distinct as not

to come under the proposition suggested. The Chair therefore decides the point of order not well taken.

Third. Was the bill improperly reported by the committee on the Liquor Law? On this question there is no distinct rule in the two houses, save the rule that general parliamentary law shall prevail in all cases not provided for and not inconsistent with the rules formally adopted. Under the general parliamentary law as laid down by Mr. Speaker Jewell in 1870, and since then adopted, without question, as a correct statement of the principle, it has been constantly held that "where a committee has referred to it several petitions on the same subject, or various papers involving, either directly or remotely, the same subject, whether simply or connected with other things, and the committee has once considered and reported upon any one subject involved, it has entirely exhausted its authority over that subject. Any papers left in the hands of the committee which may indirectly involve that subject must be treated as if that question was not in them." This rule was laid down upon a report of the committee on Agriculture based upon a report of the trustees of the Agricultural College, a report upon the same subject-matter on a petition having been theretofore rejected. With the order reversed, the situation was then practically the same as the present.

What are the facts in the present matter? The committee on the Liquor Law had referred to it the message of the Governor, in which, speaking of the so-called "public bar" clause of the liquor law, after giving the reasons in the executive mind which produced that conclusion, he said, "In my judgment, this provision is not supported by popular opinion and ought to be corrected." Upon this the committee reported a bill which has since passed the House and is now pending in the Senate. Two substitutes were acted upon in the House, intended to give a greater latitude of construction than the committee's report; and no point of order was raised against them as the House properly decided that, under the language of the message, any measure would be in order which was designed to correct the evils of which the executive complained. An order was also adopted by both houses directing the committee to consider the expediency of amending the same law so as to allow the delivery of liquor from a counter or other structure. This order is the one upon which the pending bill is based. The objects sought to be gained by the order are clearly and entirely within the limits of the legislation suggested by the Governor. It is true that the Governor's message offers greater latitude, but it includes the subject-matter of the order referred to. If the object of the legislation involved in the order upon which the pending bill is based could be properly attached to the committee's report on the Governor's message, it is very clear that the committee had no authority to subsequently report in any other way upon the order than perfunctorily, in order to discharge itself from the possession of

the papers, and that upon this report no legislation could be passed. This paper must be treated, according to Mr. Jewell, as if the public bar question was not in it. The facts in the case would seem to indicate that the committee had this in view, inasmuch as while the committee was considerably divided upon the report upon the Governor's message, there appeared to be but one dissenter upon the report on the order. And the Chair is justified in assuming, as did Mr. Speaker Noyes in the decision rendered by him in 1888 on a case very much akin to this, that the report of the committee, "inexpedient to legislate," upon the order, was solely to clear the docket of the committee as, clearly, it had no right to report legislation upon it. Upon any precedent which the Chair is able to discover, the report upon the order upon which this bill is based must be considered as purely perfunctory, invalid so far as basing legislation upon it is concerned, and done in order to emphasize the previous report of the committee on the Governor's message, — that it has exhausted its power and has no further legislation to propose.

But the suggestion is raised that, granting that the committee had no right to make a subsequent report for legislation on this subject, that the pending bill was substituted in the Senate, and that by the rule of comity and courtesy, which has always prevailed between the two branches, the House is bound to consider the bill as presented to it by the Senate, regardless of the manner in which it reached the Senate and was substituted there, — in other words, the House cannot go back of the endorsement upon the bill that it has been passed and engrossed by the other branch, and must accept it upon the ground of courtesy between the two branches. On this point the decisions are conflicting and various. Each branch should extend to the other ample courtesy in receiving and acting upon the matters presented by it. This is a general parliamentary rule; but it is open, as has been held by presiding officers, both in this branch and the other, to a reasonable interpretation and ought not and does not deprive either branch of the power of considering whether such action would tend to create worse confusion than is sought to be avoided by that rule of conduct. It is proper to say that most of the decisions in the two branches overruling points of order, on the ground of courtesy existing between the two branches, have reference to amendments and incidental proceedings in either branch, which being so entirely within the province of that branch could not be questioned by the other without an apparent interference with the order of proceedings taken in the branch to whose proceedings objection had been raised. For instance, the often-quoted decision of Mr. Speaker Marden in 1883, in which he refused to sustain a point of order against a Senate bill because of the courtesy existing between the two branches, related to an amendment adopted in the Senate. He also declared that the bill from the Senate could not be rejected, because of an

imperfection of the order on which it was based, because the House had adopted the order in spite of its imperfection, and had thereby sanctioned it. It is interesting to notice that in the same year Mr. Speaker Marden decided that a report, which had come down from the Senate favorably acted upon in that branch, should be ruled out in the House on the point of order that "the committee had reported on a petition never referred to the committee, and that therefore the report from the Senate was not properly before the House." This point of order was sustained. The circumstances were similar to those of the present case, and the report was laid aside on the general principle involved in the present point of order, to wit, that the report to the Senate was not properly made by the committee, and therefore could not be acted upon by the House even though it had come from the Senate. In the Senate of 1878, Mr. President Cogswell decided that the bill incorporating the Baptist Benevolent and Religious Society, which had been received from the House, was out of order upon a point based upon the joint rules of the two branches. This decision was sustained by the Senate, and the bill was laid aside, in spite of the rule of courtesy. A decision often quoted is that of Mr. President Pillsbury, in the Senate of 1885, in maintenance of the doctrine of courtesy, when he ruled that a point of order could not be raised against a House bill on the Senate rule, leaving the question open as to what would have been the decision had the objection raised arisen out of a violation of the joint rules, as was the case in the decision of Mr. President Cogswell alluded to. The decision given by Mr. President Bishop of the Senate in 1882 dealt with this subject somewhat at length. At that time a bill was pending from the House, which was there adopted, on an adverse report of the committee, a parallel case with the present situation, and the point of order was raised in the Senate that the bill was out of order, as being in violation of the joint rule and of general parliamentary law. Mr. President Bishop sustained the point of order in a long decision, concluding in this language: "In fine, the general principle regarding the intercourse of the two branches of one parliamentary body, which renders it the duty of each body to take for consideration from the other such measures as the other sends, is inapplicable in instances where another principle of parliamentary law should govern the action of the branches." That is to say, that one branch cannot be deprived of the rights, which it has jointly with the other, to inquire into the intrinsic merits of the matter under consideration when the issue involved has not been acted upon affirmatively in the other branch. If the matter had been passed upon in one the rule of courtesy between the two branches might operate to prevent the other from taking it up, but the simple failure to consider cannot deprive the second body of its rights in the premises. This rule would be held only in connection with a point which went to the essence

of the matter under consideration, and could not, of course, be applied to the action of the other branch upon matters which it solely had under consideration. But if the question goes back to the action of a committee representing, in part, the House, the rule of courtesy between the two branches would not operate to prevent the House from considering that point when it should be raised.

In all questions arising out of the relations between the two branches, many of them complicated and delicate, a clearer view of the situation is often gained from a consideration of the subject in hand than by the mere statement of general principles. In this case two measures are pending. Both relate to the same general subject. This is easily shown from the fact, as already stated, that several bills have already been considered in the House; while in the Senate the records show that a bill already adopted in the House, and now pending in the Senate, was there offered and considered as a substitute for the Senate bill which is now pending in the House. In short, various bills have been considered upon either the order or the Governor's message. If this is to continue, the confusion in legislation which has already arisen may extend indefinitely. The two reports are now apparently in a hostile attitude. That relation may be aggravated by the continuance of the present conditions, under which the same subject is being considered at the same time, upon different reports. To eliminate one of them from consideration will, more surely than any other method, conduce to bringing the two branches together. It is to accomplish this result that the rule of courtesy between the two branches is based; and in its technical and narrow aspects it may give way to that broader parliamentary principle, so strikingly illustrated in this case, that the confusion and irritation likely to follow from the two-fold consideration of the same subject-matter should be removed as quickly as possible. Would any rights be lost to any individual or to either branch by the adoption of this policy? Certainly none so far as the Chair is able to discover.

The bill which has passed the House is now pending in the Senate. The Chair finds that to that bill an amendment has been offered in that branch, in precisely the same terms as the bill which is now in the House, and now under consideration. Suppose that the amendment there offered should be adopted. We should be presented with the anomalous situation that we should have precisely the same bills pending in the two branches at the same time, and upon different reports from the same committee. A more unfortunate position for the proper conduct of parliamentary business can hardly be imagined. In this condition of things it is clear to the mind of the Chair that one or the other of these two matters is improperly before the Legislature. To continue them both may lead to still greater confusion and friction. Which of the two is open to valid objection? Clearly the one now pending in the House.

It is the one based upon a report which the committee had no right to make, except perfunctorily, and as a notice that it had already exhausted its powers by the report already submitted to the House. If this bill should be rejected on that line it does not traverse the rule of courtesy between the two branches, because it goes back of the action of the Senate to the work of the committee, which the House certainly has a right to review, especially when the issue in the House now raised has not been before the Senate and not decided upon there. The bill reported to the House was clearly in order. The message upon which it was based was broad enough to admit for consideration all the various subjects presented in both branches, and it is particularly fortunate that at this time the point of order can be decided without affecting the issue of the controversy over the merits of the various bills. Those are all left pending in one form or another. The Chair is therefore able to arrive at its conclusion, which would not have been changed even though it had operated to finally lay aside the pending legislation, without involving the merits of the various propositions, inasmuch as the report made by the committee, upon which no question can be raised, is still alive and under consideration in the other branch upon the bill sent to it from this House, which bill it may amend to suit its own views and return to the House for concurrence therein. The Chair, therefore, without straining the doctrine of courtesy between the two branches, which is the only consideration which would operate in this case, decides that in accordance with general parliamentary law, as a direct and efficacious means of avoiding confusion and friction between the two branches, and the bringing of the two together in the same channel for the consideration of the pending legislation, and to simplify the parliamentary cross-purpose which has seemed to grow out of the action of the committee in reporting twice upon the same subject-matter, decides that the point of order is well taken and that the bill should be laid aside. The Chair in giving this decision is not unmindful of the apparent confusion of authorities on the subject and the attitude of each branch to the measure; but the Chair has tried to make it clear that, in this case, the theory of parliamentary principle is happily endorsed by the existing state of things, inasmuch as the carrying out to their simple and logical conclusions the parliamentary rights of each branch to consider the report of the committee, upon which it is represented, works out a solution of the parliamentary difficulty which preserves the rights of all interests, simplifies and reduces to its lowest terms the apparent contradiction of purpose which has arisen, and finds its practical confirmation in the fact that the bill here under consideration is now moved in the other branch as an amendment to the report which the Chair decides is the only one the liquor committee could submit on the matter. The questions at issue, if such there be, between the two branches

can now be brought together upon one report of the committee, and there be adjusted and harmonized upon well-established principles of parliamentary law, which has for its ground structure the despatch of public business in the most direct way, avoiding so far as possible complications and cross-purposes.

In this case, while it is necessary to go back to the action of the committee, the Chair is confident that the action of the Chair in ruling that the present bill should be laid aside will bring the two houses together to the consideration of the subject-matter upon one common basis, thus illustrating the true intention and purpose of all parliamentary procedure and theory, which is to settle and adjust apparently conflicting lines of action and provide a safe and direct way in which the two branches may reach a conclusion.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy appealed from the decision of the Chair and the appeal was seconded by Mr. McEttrick of Boston. After debate Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved the previous question, which motion was lost by a vote of 68 to 90. After further debate, on motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. On the question "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House," the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg; and the roll being called, the decision of the Chair was sustained, and the bill was laid aside and notice was sent to the Senate. The vote was 115 yeas to 59 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Chester, Dwight
Babson, Fitz J.	Clapp, James W.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Baker, Charles H.	Clark, Louis M.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Clough, George S.
Bennett, Frank P.	Converse, Morton E.
Bill, Ledyard	Corbett, Myron L.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Curtis, Francis C.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Danforth, John M.
Britton, Henry W.	Davis, Squire S.
Brooks, Ethan	Day, Frederick B.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Ellis, Edward C.
Bullard, Henry B.	Emery, S. Hopkins
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Fairbanks, John W.
Butler, William M.	Fales, Nathan H.
Capen, Robert P.	Ferren, Myron J.
Carpenter, George N.	Fears, Isaac P.
Carter, James H.	Fletcher, Charles T.

Appeal from the
decision of the
Chair.

Messrs. Flood, Nathan B.	Messrs. Monk, Hiram A.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Moore, Charles
Giles, Joseph J.	Mott, Edward
Gillett, Frederick H.	Newell, Charles B.
Greene, Edward W.	Olmstead, James M.
Harding, N. Frank	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hemenway, Augustus	Penney, Alonzo
Henderson, Charles W.	Perkins, George W.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Hinds, John F.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Hodges, William D.	Plummer, John M.
Howard, S. Edward	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howe, Archibald M.	Presho, Edward W.
Howe, Edward C.	Read, Franklin F.
Howe, S. Augustus	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hunting, Amos	Ripley, Samuel E.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Salter, John J.
Johnson, Henry H.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Shaw, Charles F.
Keyes, Charles G.	Smith, Elvin L.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Sprague, Charles F.
Kimball, John W.	Taft, Henry G.
Kirby, Albert C.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Knowlton, George K.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Knox, James W.	Tucker, George F.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Lakin, James A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Lane, Hiram B.	Waterman, Eben C.
Lane, Howard G.	Wethereli, Barney T.
Langdon, Henry W.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Lawrence, William B.	White, Franklin B.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Whitney, Edwin
Lord, Lucien	Wier, Fred N.
Loud, John C.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Luther, Haile R.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Wilson, William Power
McAnally, Frank	Woodsum, B. Herbert
McFarland, Herbert A.	Worcester, Charles F.
Meade, William E.	

NATS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Cannon, William
Breen, Daniel F.	Carroll, Michael
Brock, Lemuel M.	Carter, Richard A.
Brophy, James L.	Chance, Charles J.
Brown, George H.	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Buchholz, Herman	Ensign, Charles S.
Buckley, William P.	Fallon, J. Otis
Cannon, Patrick	Fallon, Thomas F.

Messrs. Frazer, Charles A.	Messrs. McSolla, Richard F.
Golding, John	Mellen, James H.
Haggerty, Roger	Mitchell, Michael J.
Hall, Henry C.	Mooney, William L.
Handley, Aaron C.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	O'Brien, John J.
Herrod, Edward E.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Parker, James O.
Hurley, John T.	Quincy, Josiah
Judd, Myron H.	Rady, Andrew J.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Kelly, Charles A.	Ramage, James
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Reid, James
Leslie, Horace G.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Luby, Patrick B.	Savage, Patrick J.
Lynch, John B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McCarthy, Daniel	Tilden, Charles A.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Tilton, Frank B.
McKenna, George B.	Warren, Bentley W.
McLoughlin, John T.	

Yeas, 115 ; Nays, 59.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Messrs. Bright, Elmer H.*
Lewis, James A.	Gale, John A.*
Murray, Michael J.*	Howard, Timothy
Barrett, Richard F.	O'Brien, John*
Prouty, John E. O.	Barrett, Harry H.*
Gould, David E.*	Quinn, Patrick J.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Stearns, William H.*
Richardson, Arthur W.*	McDonald, Peter J.
Stevens, William S.	Wright, William J.*
Horton, Everett S.	Thurston, Lysander*
Child, Daniel R.	Finney, Elkanah*
Goddard, Edward A.	Burke, James F.*

* Present.

The Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth was further con-

sidered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by striking out the words "a usual" and inserting in place thereof the words "their principal." Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend in section 1, lines 14, 15 and 16, by striking out the words "the name of each shareholder and the number of shares standing in his name." After debate, pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, at forty-one minutes past four o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 22, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Laid Over.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, was laid over until to-morrow at the request of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg:—

Ordered, That the Insurance Commissioner be directed to report to the House of Representatives immediately as complete a summary as possible of the financial operations for the year 1890 of the so-called "endowment societies" organized under section 8 of chapter 429 of the Acts of 1888.

Insurance Commissioner, —
endowment
societies.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Tuesday, April 28, in which to report upon matters before them.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

A report of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg.

Report of
Railroad
Commissioners.

The House Bill to establish the southern district court of Norfolk came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in section 1, line 4, by striking out the word "southern" and inserting the same after the word "of;" also striking out, in line 6, the words "and shall have a clerk;" in section 2, by striking out, in line 1, the word "and;" in line 2, inserting after the word "justices" the words "and a clerk;" also by striking out, in the title, the word "southern" and inserting the same after the word "of." The House concurred in the amendments, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

District court of
southern
Norfolk.

Insurance Com-
missioner, —
Part I. of an-
nual report.

Part I. of the 36th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

Town of
Holden.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Holden and others that said town be authorized to appropriate a sum of money for the celebration of the 150th anniversary of its incorporation, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Destruction of
property at
State Prison by
prisoners.

The House Bill to punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the Commonwealth at the State Prison at Boston, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, amended in section 2 by striking out, in line 4, the word "solitary;" by inserting, in the same line, after the word "imprisonment," the words "at solitary labor;" and by inserting, in line 5, after the word "year," the words "or by solitary imprisonment not exceeding five days, or by both."

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House order had been rejected by that branch: —

Railroad Com-
missioners, —
depot accom-
modations on
railroads.

Ordered, That the Board of Railroad Commissioners be requested to investigate as to whether there has been any unreasonable refusal or neglect on the part of railroad corporations to furnish comfortable and satisfactory depot accommodations at any railroad junction stations in this Commonwealth, and report their finding to the next Legislature.

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston,
— Board of
Police Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Prescho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston, and vesting the control of the police of Boston in the mayor of said city, under such regulations as the Legislature may prescribe. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Buckley of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation changing the terms of the members of the Boston Board of Police Commissioners and the method of their removal. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Buckley of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Boston,
— Board of
Police Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the total amount of fees received for dog licenses in the city of Boston shall be paid over to the city of Boston without any deduction whatever therefrom. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Meade of Salem, Quincy of Quincy, Buckley of Holyoke and Wilson of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Boston,
— dog license
fees.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation giving the authority to appoint or select the members of commissions to the community paying the salary of such commissioners or its legally constituted officers. (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Buckley of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.)

Appointment of
commissioners.

By Mr. Bucklin of Adams, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on two orders relative to legislation providing for a commissioner of highways, and relative to providing for a State board of road engineers, to have supervision of construction and repairs of all the roads in the Commonwealth.

Supervision of
highways.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Watertown to issue bonds, notes or scrip for sewerage purposes.

Town of
Watertown,—
bonds for
sewerage
purposes.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relative to the discharge of sewage, chemicals or waste products injurious to the public health into the great ponds or streams of this Commonwealth, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Discharge of
sewage into
ponds and
streams.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Bill relating to the Board of Gas and Electric

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Com-
missioners.

Light Commissioners, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Publication of
election
expenses.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to secure the publication of election expenses ought to pass.

Commissioner
of Corpora-
tions, —
salaries.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to salaries in the office of Commissioner of Corporations ought to pass.

Town of West
Springfield, —
encroachment
of Connecticut
River.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Resolve for the protection of the town of West Springfield against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town ought to pass.

Report of Com-
missioner on
Public Records
of Parishes,
Towns and
Counties.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the printing of 500 extra copies of the second report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Commissioners
of pilots for the
harbor of
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Kenrick of Orleans, the Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to commissioners of pilots for the harbor of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 29; to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Procedure
before com-
missions.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the Bill to regulate the procedure by and before commissions or commissioners established under the laws of this Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 27, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 29, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 29, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the Bill relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending an amendment moved by Mr. Sohier, to substitute a "Bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in town offices," and pending the main question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Overseer of
the poor.
Vacancies in
town offices.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Mellen, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 30, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Statistics of
deposits in
savings banks.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. Mr. Sprague moved to amend by

Elections,—
certificates of
nomination and
nomination
papers.

striking out, in the seventh line, the word "fourth" and inserting in place thereof the word "fifth;" also in line 10, by striking out the word "third" and inserting in place thereof the word "fourth." The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

**Examination
of reservoirs.**

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the Bill requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir-dams and mill-dams by county commissioners was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. Mr. Kimball moved to amend in section 1, line 9, by striking out the word "five" and inserting in place thereof the word "three," which amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

**Orders of the
day.**

Bills:

Constituting nine hours a day's work for county employees;

Providing for the printing and distribution of specimen ballots at the public expense at State and city elections;

To authorize the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture to employ an assistant clerk;

To prohibit the issuing of certain obligations; and

Relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay; and

Resolves:

To provide for certain changes in the Normal Art School building; and

To provide for certain repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Concerning contingent remainders; and

To authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations;

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater and the State Almshouse at Tewksbury are required to make their annual reports ;

Concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents ; and

To authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties ; and the

Resolve authorizing the tabulation of special statistics for the United States census in the rooms of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Bennett moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost by a vote of 45 to 46. Subsequently Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the motion to postpone was rejected. The motion prevailed, and the recurring question on postponement was adopted, and pending the amendments previously moved by Messrs. Turner of Malden and Bennett of Everett, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day.

The Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties, was further considered. Pending the main question on its engrossment, and pending the amendments recommended by the committee on Railroads, it was, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed eighth in the orders of the day.

The Bill relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language was further considered, the question being on engrossment. Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to amend, in line 7, by inserting after the word "section" the words "also by striking out in line 3 of said section the words 'or over'"; also in line 16, by striking out the words "or over." After

debate, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve releasing the interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands in the town of Winchester was read a second time and considered. After debate, Mr. Charles of Boston moved that the resolve be recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report a resolve providing that the interest of the State, referred to in the resolve, be disposed of at public auction. The motion was rejected.

Mr. Murray of Fitchburg moved to amend by striking out the words "one thousand dollars," and inserting in place thereof the words "one dollar."

The question was put on allowing the words "one thousand dollars" to remain in the bill, which was rejected. The amendment moved by Mr. Murray was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable the town of Melrose to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

To enable the town of Marblehead to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

To enable the town of Peabody to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

To enable the town of Hingham to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ; and

To legalize the action of the town of Danvers in establishing an electric light plant, and to enable said town of Danvers to generate and distribute electric light and power for public and private uses ;

Were severally read a second time. Pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bills to a third reading, they were severally laid on the table, on motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The Bill relating to the payment of poll-taxes by political organizations was read a third time and considered. The amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to strike out section 3, to wit: "This act shall take effect upon its passage," was adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for the gratuitous distribution of the atlas map of Massachusetts to certain departments and persons was read a second time and considered. Mr. Emery of Taunton moved to amend by inserting after the word "government," in the sixth line, the words "certain historical societies of the Commonwealth." Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved to amend by adding at the end thereof the words "and one copy to each member of the Legislature of the year 1891."

Mr. Sohier of Beverly raised the point of order, that inasmuch as the order considered by the committee related to furnishing copies of the map to certain of the State departments, the amendments moved were beyond the scope of the order and were not in order. The Chair declared the point of order well taken, and the amendments were ruled out. Point of order.

Mr. Bill of Paxton moved to amend by adding at the end of the resolve the words, "one copy shall be sent by the commissioners to every public library in the State."

Mr. Hutchinson of Boston moved to amend by adding the following words: "and each member of the General Court shall be furnished with a copy at its actual cost."

The amendments were adopted, and the resolve as amended was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend section 66 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the hour of opening the polls, was read a third time and considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the qualifications of special police officers, and to liability for assaults by unqualified persons, was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Lawrence of Medford raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the petition considered by the committee. The Chair ruled that it was too late to raise the point of order after the bill had been ordered to a third reading, and therefore declared the point of order not well taken. Point of order.

Mr. Lawrence moved to amend by inserting after section 2 two new sections (which were ordered to be printed in the calendar). Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to prohibit the sale of certain game taken or killed in traps or snares was read a second time and considered. Mr. Fletcher of Lancaster moved to amend in line 1, section 1, by inserting after the word "whoever" the words "between the fifteenth day of December in each year and the fifteenth day of September in the following year." The amendment was lost. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the bill was refused a third reading and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

An amendment moved by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, to strike out in lines 2 to 7 inclusive, the words, "whenever the towns of Wareham and Bourne by vote of a majority of the legal voters of each of said towns present and voting at town meetings duly called for the purpose request them so to do, are hereby authorized," and insert in place thereof the words "are hereby directed," was adopted, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend the charter of the city of Cambridge was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend as follows: In section 2, line 5, strike out the words "of eleven members" and insert in place thereof the words "until the municipal year beginning on the first Monday in January, 1893, of ten members, and thereafter of eleven members;" also in section 9, lines 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, strike out the words "annually, in the month of April, appoint one person to be a member of the board of overseers of the poor for the term of five years, beginning with the first Monday in May of that year;" in section 11, lines 37, 38 and 39, strike out the words "of the school committee involving expenditure of money, and over any order, resolution or vote;" in section 20, line 20, strike out all after the word "shall" and insert in place thereof the following: "be a resident citizen of Cambridge and an attorney and counsellor of the courts of the Commonwealth, and who shall hold office for one year, but may be removed, however, at the pleasure of the city council."

The amendments were adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the common council of the city of Boston, that said city be given authority to construct and maintain its own gas and electric light plant, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the examination of school teachers by State authority was taken up. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, at forty-four minutes past four o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 23, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse of Sherborn, Chaplain of the Senate.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Boston Railroad Company, — underground system of railways.

Petition, presented by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, of Francis F. Emery and others, for such action as will secure to the people of Boston and vicinity the advantage of an underground system of railway, and for the incorporation of James W. Converse and others as the Boston Railroad Company.

City of Boston, — underground railways.

Petition, presented by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of Thomas N. Hart and others, in favor of the incorporation of a company for constructing underground railways into and through the city of Boston.

Foreign corporations, place of business.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of the president of the American Loan and Trust Company and others; of the president of the Merchants' National Bank, and the presidents of 26 other national banks and others, — severally, against House Bill No. 405, concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth.

Order Adopted.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted : —

Insurance Commissioner, — endowment societies.

Ordered, That the Insurance Commissioner be directed to report to the House of Representatives, immediately, as complete a summary as possible of the financial operation for the year 1890 of the so-called "endowment societies" organized under section 8 of chapter 429 of the Acts of 1888.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relating to fees and expenses in proceedings before trial justices (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Fees and expenses of trial justices.

A Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Tuberculosis in food products of cattle.

The House Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 14 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect. 14.* This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the voters of said town, present and voting thereon at any legal town meeting called for the purpose, but the number of such meetings shall not exceed two. The first of such meetings shall be called in the month of June in the year 1891, and if a subsequent meeting is necessary, it shall be called in September in the year 1891, and the meeting called in September shall be held in that part of the town of Tisbury known as Middletown Village." On motion of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the rule was suspended, and the House concurred in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

West Tisbury.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to defining more particularly the methods of procedure in city councils, the nature of ordinances, the expulsion of members, resignations, ballots and other similar matters.

City councils,—ordinances, resignations, ballots, etc.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing that after the general appropriations for city expenditures in the city of Boston have been made, no money shall thereafter be borrowed or appropriated, or transfer be made from one appropriation to another, except upon a

City of Boston,—appropriations to be made only upon recommendation of the mayor to the city council.

recommendation thereto made by the mayor to the city council of said city, and, in that case, only to the amount so recommended.

Mount Hope
Cemetery.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to Mount Hope Cemetery.

General
municipal law.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to a general municipal law, recommending the adoption of the following order:—

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and six members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess, and hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, on the subject of securing greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth, and of framing a general form of municipal charter which may be adopted in whole or in part by any existing city and under which any town subject to the requirements of the constitution may become incorporated as a city.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

West End
Street Railway
Company,—
terms and
conditions
of grant.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Power Wilson, that chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the West End Street Railway Company, may be so amended as to confer upon the city of Boston power to attach terms and conditions to the grant of a location under said act.

City of Boston,
—election of
aldermen and
councilmen.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the city charter of Boston, so as to provide for one alder-

man from each ward to be elected annually, and for three councilmen from each ward, one elected each year, to hold office for three years. (Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, in-
 pedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the election of aldermen-at-large in the city of Boston in addition to the aldermen chosen by districts, and providing for the choice of such aldermen-at-large for a longer term than one year, and in such manner that the terms of only a portion of such aldermen-at-large shall expire in any one year. (Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Boston,
 — aldermen-
 at-large.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Prescho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
 — pension for
 disabled
 firemen.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, in part, a Bill relating to the departments of the city of Boston and the officers and boards in charge thereof. (Mr. Prescho of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Boston,
 — depart-
 ments of.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the same committee, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the control of municipal franchises and a general municipal law, with sundry orders and petitions relating to the same subject, a Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies. (Mr. Wilson of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Taxation of
 property and
 franchises of
 street railway
 companies.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition and on an order, a Bill to enable the city of Boston to borrow one million of dollars outside the debt limit for completing the new public library building.

City of Boston,
 — new public
 library.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the State House loan sinking fund, 1901. The bill was read and ordered to a second reading.

State House
 loan sinking
 fund.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Motion to Reconsider.

Sale of game
taken or killed
in traps or
snares.

Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday refused to order to a third reading the Bill to prohibit the sale of certain game taken or killed in traps or snares. After debate the motion was lost.

Taken from the Table.

Wild fowl.

On motion of Mr. Bullock of Fall River, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John S. Nicholson and others for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15 was taken from the table, and was, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 30, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Lists of property
for assessment.

On motion of Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, the Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, and pending the amendment recommended by the committee on Taxation, it was, on further motion of Mr. Corbett, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 30, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Duties of
assessors.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Corbett, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 30, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Assessment
of personal
property.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the ques-

tion on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Corbett, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 30, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the Bill relating to filling vacancies in the office of overseer of the poor was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. The bill moved by Mr. Sohier as an amendment was substituted, and under a further suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Vacancies in town offices.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill to enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Town of Wakefield, — municipal lighting.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to enable the town of Hudson to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Town of Hudson, — municipal lighting.

On motions of Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, the report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Salisbury and Amesbury, for reimbursement for rebuilding Newburyport bridge, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was, on further motion of Mr. Leslie, recommitted to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Newburyport bridge.

On motion of Mr. Stearns of Salem, the Bill to authorize the board of aldermen of the city of Salem to regulate the maintenance and use of poles within the limits of the streets of said city was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 30, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day for that day.

Salem, city of, — poles in streets.

**Boston and
Maine Railroad.**

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of Mr. Powers, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to recognizances in poor debtor proceedings;
To extend the charter of the Holyoke and Northampton Boom and Lumber Company ;

To limit the number of candidates for the same office who bear the same party designation upon the official ballot ; and

To aid small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the State Board of Agriculture to collect and circulate information relating to abandoned farms ;

Relative to designating on the general ballot the number of the ward of which a candidate for alderman-at-large is a resident ; and

Relating to paper for public records ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

**Resolves
passed.**

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for the erection of a bronze tablet on the battlefield at Gettysburg ; and

Providing for nails or spikes for designating certain trees on highways for preservation ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Providing for furnishing the new armory at Fitchburg (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

**Orders of the
day.**

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative

to legislation providing for a commissioner of highways, also on an order relative to providing for a State board of road engineers, to have supervision of the construction and repairs of all the roads in the Commonwealth, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

Relating to the district police force ;

To enable the town of Watertown to issue bonds, notes or scrip for sewerage purposes ; and

To amend chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to salaries in the office of Commissioner of Corporations ; and the

Resolves :

Providing for the printing of 500 extra copies of the second report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ; and

For the protection of the town of West Springfield against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To require an affidavit in petitions for administration of estates of deceased persons ; and

Relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston ; and the

Resolves :

To provide for certain changes in the Normal Art School building ; and

To provide for certain repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture to employ an assistant clerk was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the Bill to punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the State Prison, to wit : In line 4 of section 2 strike out the word "solitary ;" also in the same line of said

section, after the word "imprisonment," insert the words "at solitary labor;" also in line 5 of section 2, after the word "year," insert the words "or by solitary imprisonment not exceeding five days, or by both;" and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to provide for the examination of school teachers by State authority was further considered. After debate, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 28, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day. On further motion of Mr. Chance, the bill was ordered to be printed as a House document.

The Resolve for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of a majority of the voters of a city or town to a division and incorporation of a new town was further considered, the question being on agreeing to the article of amendment.

Mr. Tuttle of Arlington moved to amend the article of amendment which was adopted so that it shall read as follows: "The General Court shall not erect or constitute new towns in this Commonwealth by dividing and setting off any portion of the territory of any existing city or town, unless it be with the consent and on the application of a majority of the voters of such existing city or town present and voting thereon at a meeting duly warned and holden for that purpose."

On the question on agreeing to the article of amendment the yeas and nays were taken; and the roll being called, the article of amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted therefor. The vote was 115 yeas to 67 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Bullock, Walter J. D.
Babson, Fitz J.	Burke, James F.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Cannon, Patrick
Baker, Charles H.	Cannon, William
Boodey, Charles H.	Carpenter, George N.
Breen, Daniel F.	Carroll, Michael
Brophy, James L.	Carter, Richard A.
Brown, George H.	Child, Daniel R.
Buckley, William P.	Clapp, James W.

Messrs. Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Danforth, John M.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Golding, John
 Greene, Edward W.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Loud, John C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McCarthy, Daniel

Messrs. McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 Meade, William E.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moore, Charles
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Plummer, John M.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wilson, William Power
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Worcester, Charles F.

FRIDAY, April 24, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Foreign
corporations, —
bond investment
companies.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Corporations be directed to furnish to the Legislature a list of the foreign corporations who have filed papers in his office, under the provisions of chapter 330 of the Acts of 1884, whose purpose is the payment of bonds in numerical order or otherwise, or sums of money as endowments or benefits.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve Printed as a House Document.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, —

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

Voted, That the Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates be printed as a House document.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Hour of
meeting.

Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet on Monday next at one o'clock P.M.

Papers from the Senate.

Merrimac
Water
Company.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of I. B. Little and others, for an act of incorporation as the Merrimac Water Company, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Sentences in
certain criminal
cases.

The Bill to authorize sentence in criminal cases in the Superior Court, where an appeal appears frivolous, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a public park (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of
Somerville,—
public park.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House order had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 386 of the Acts of the year 1890, authorizing the printing and distributing of ballots for town elections at the public expense, so that towns which have accepted the provisions of this act may revoke said acceptance at any meeting called thirty days at least prior to the annual town meeting.

Printing and
distribution of
ballots at the
public expense,
— town elec-
tions.

Notice was also received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill relative to appointments on the Governor's staff.

Governor's
staff.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, the Bill providing for the compensation of members of the Legislature was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, Mr. Curtis moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 1, and that it be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

Mr. Bill of Paxton moved to amend by inserting the words "Wednesday, May 6." The question was first put on inserting the words "Wednesday, May 6," which was lost. The motion of Mr. Curtis was then adopted, and the bill was postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 1, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the qualification of male voters (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation changing the terms of the members of the Boston Board of Police Commissioners, and the method of their removal ;

On an order relative to amending the city charter of Boston so as to provide for one alderman to be elected annually and for three councilmen from each ward, one elected each year, to hold office for three years ;

On an order relative to providing for the election of aldermen-at-large in the city of Boston, in addition to the aldermen chosen by districts, and providing for the choice of such aldermen-at-large for a longer term than one year, and in such manner that the terms of only a portion of such aldermen-at-large shall expire in any one year ; and

On an order relative to defining more particularly the methods of procedure in city councils, the nature of ordinances, the expulsion of members, resignations, ballots and other similar matters ;

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing that after the general appropriations for city expenditures in the city of Boston have been made, no money shall thereafter be borrowed or appropriated, or transfer be made from one appropriation to another, except upon a recommendation thereto made by the mayor to the city council of said city ; and, in that case, only to the amount so recommended ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Power Wilson that chapter 454 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the West End Street Railway Company, may be so amended as to confer upon the city of Boston power to attach terms and conditions to the grant of a location under said act ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To change the harbor lines and provide for the improvement of South Bay in the city of Boston ; and

Relating to fees and expenses in proceedings before trial justices ; and the

Resolve relative to the discharge of sewage, chemicals

or waste products injurious to the public health into the great ponds or streams of this Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable the town of Watertown to issue bonds, notes or scrip for sewerage purposes ; and

To amend chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to salaries in the office of Commissioner of Corporations ; and the

Resolve for the protection of the town of West Springfield against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the district police force was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Turner of Malden moved to further amend as follows : In the fourth line of section 1 strike out the following words : " except such as are required by existing laws to make returns to the Insurance Commissioner, to the Railroad Commissioners, or to the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Companies ; " also at the end of section 1 insert : " This section shall not apply to railroad companies, nor to mining and manufacturing companies actually conducting their mining and manufacturing operations wholly without the Commonwealth, nor to those foreign corporations which are required to make annual returns to other officers of the Commonwealth than the Commissioner of Corporations. "

These amendments and the amendment previously moved by Mr. Turner were severally rejected. The pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Bennett of Everett was rejected by a vote of 53 to 63.

Mr. Bennett of Everett also moved to amend by substituting a " Bill for the better protection of corporations organized under the laws of other States or countries and doing business in this Commonwealth, " which was rejected by a vote of 45 to 64.

On the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 79 yeas to 81 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brophy, James L.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Carroll, Michael
 Chance, Charles J.
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Howard, Timothy
 Hunting, Amos
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.

Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Reid, James
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Tucker, George F.
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Keyes, Charles G.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Baker, Charles H.	Kimball, John W.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Kirby, Albert C.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Lakin, James A.
Britton, Henry W.	Lawrence, William B.
Brown, George H.	Leslie, Horace G.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Lewis, James A.
Carpenter, George N.	Lord, Lucien
Charles, Salem D.	Loud, John C.
Chester, Dwight	McDonald, Peter J.
Clark, Louis M.	Meade, William E.
Converse, Morton E.	Moore, Charles
Curtis, Francis C.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Danforth, John M.	Oakes, William H.
Day, Frederick B.	Olmstead, James M.
Dewey, Henry S.	Parker, James O.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Dyar, Perlie A.	Perkins, George W.
Ensign, Charles S.	Presho, Edward W.
Fairbanks, John W.	Prouty, John E. O.
Ferren, Myron J.	Quincy, Josiah
Fears, Isaac P.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Flood, Nathan B.	Salter, John J.
Giles, Joseph J.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Shaw, Charles F.
Handley, Aaron C.	Sprague, Charles F.
Harding, N. Frank	Swallow, George N.
Hartshorn, James A.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Hemenway, Augustus	Turner, Henry E.
Hodges, William D.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Horton, Everett S.	Waterman, Eben C.
Howard, S. Edward	White, Franklin B.
Howe, Archibald M.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Howe, Edward C.	Withington, Nathan N.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Worcester, Charles F.
Johnson, Henry H.	Wright, William J.
Kemp, Parker J.	

Yeas, 79 ; Nays, 81.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

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Lomasney, Joseph P.*	Wilson, William Power
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Sparhawk, Henry C.*
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The Bill to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Pending debate on this question, on motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, a count of the House was had and it appeared that ninety-five members were present. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

The House, at nine minutes past one o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, April 27, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, Part I., fire and marine insurance, was received and referred to the committee on Insurance, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Thirty-sixth
annual report
of the Insurance
Commissioner,
— Part I.

Assessment Endowment Corporations.

A communication was received from the Insurance Commissioner, transmitting, in compliance with an order of the House of Representatives dated April 22, a summary of the statistics of membership, receipts, expenditures, etc., for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, of the assessment endowment corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, as amended by chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890, and transacting the business prescribed in section 8 of that chapter. On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the matter was laid on the table and ordered printed as a House document. (See House Document, No. 497.)

Statistics of
assessment
endowment
corporations.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners for the year 1890, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lewis of Fairhaven.

Report of the
Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 282 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to Harvard bridge, so that it shall read as follows: "*Sect. 4.* The

Harvard bridge.

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City of Boston,
— assessment of
property for
municipal
expenses.

On an order relative to authorizing the city of Boston to determine the classes of property on which taxes for municipal expenses shall be assessed ;

City of Boston,
— contracts for
lighting streets,
parks, etc.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to authorizing the city of Boston to make contracts, for twenty years or less, for lighting its streets, public places and parks, and to grant exclusive rights for the use of its streets as a consideration for such contracts ; and

Reimbursement
of towns by the
State for ex-
penses incurred
in building
bridges.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the State indemnify, in part, towns and cities for building bridges largely to accommodate through travel, and especially small towns with expensive bridges, located near State lines, and with small valuations ; the amount in each case to be determined by such tribunal as may be thought best ; or the enacting of such legislation as will enable such towns and cities to levy and collect toll, with proper restrictions and limitations, from teams and vehicles passing over the same in certain instances ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House bills had severally been rejected by that branch :—

Bills :

Licensing of
shows.

To amend section 115 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relating to the licensing of shows ; and

Sale of impure
milk.

To amend the law relating to the sale of impure milk.

Thirty-fifth
Massachusetts
Regiment
Association.

Notice was also received that the House Resolve granting an allowance to the 35th Massachusetts Regiment Association had been referred, by that branch, to the next General Court.

Report of a Committee.

Boards of
license com-
missioners in
cities.

By Mr. Day of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that when a city establishes a board of license commissioners under the provisions of section 28

of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, such board shall also have the power to grant innholders' and common victuallers' licenses in such city under the provisions of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes. (Messrs. Hurley of Fall River and Carter of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.)

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To establish the fire department of the city of Law- Bills enacted.
rence ;

To change the name of the Court City of Lawrence No. 6679, Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society ;

To prevent excessive charges in the redemption of tax titles ;

To confirm the proceedings of the First Congregational Church and Society in Baldwinville ; and

Changing the time of the sittings of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Bristol ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the appointment of referees to settle matters of difference between insurers and insured in case of loss by fire ; and

Authorizing the city of Salem to take land for the purpose of preserving the purity of its water supply ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ; Resolves passed.

In favor of Addison D. Harrington ;

Authorizing the change of the name on the pedestal of the bust in Doric Hall marked Samuel Adams to Washington ; and

In favor of William J. Hume ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

In favor of the State Normal School at Salem ;

Providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy ; and

To provide for the erection of a statue of the late Charles Devens ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Decoration of
soldiers' graves
on Memorial
Day.

On motions of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion to be registered, and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Publication of
election ex-
penses.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the Bill to secure the publication of election expenses was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 4, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of
street railway
franchises.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Quincy, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 5, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Boston,
— departments.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill relating to the departments of the city of Boston and the officers and boards in charge thereof was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule: It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Wilson, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 6, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Motion to Reconsider.

Foreign
corporations.

Mr. Lane of Springfield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Bill concerning foreign corpora-

tions having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth. After debate the motion prevailed by a vote of 85 to 69. Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House rejected the amendment moved by him to substitute a "Bill for the better regulation of corporations organized under the laws of other States or countries and doing business in this Commonwealth," which motion was lost by a vote of 69 to 77. Mr. Bennett moved to amend the bill by striking out in section 1, lines 15 and 16, the words "and the number of shares standing in his name." After debate the amendment was rejected by a vote of 78 to 82. On the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 102 yeas to 88 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Barrett, Harry H.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bill, Ledyard
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brooks, Ethan
Brophy, James L.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Bucklin, Andrew J.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Child, Daniel R.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clough, George S.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Davis, Squire S.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fales, Nathan H.
Fallon, J. Otis
Fallon, Thomas F.

Messrs. Finney, Elkanah
Frazer, Charles A.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Golding, John
Gould, David E.
Greene, Edward W.
Haggerty, Roger
Hall, Henry C.
Harriman, Charles H.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Henderson, Charles W.
Herrod, Edward E.
Hinds, John F.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howard, Timothy
Hunting, Amos
Hurley, John T.
Jenkins, Robert B.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kenrick, John, Jr.
Knowlton, George K.
Knox, James W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lane, Howard G.
Lanigan, Andrew M.

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Messrs. Lomasney, Joseph P.	Messrs. Peterson, Benjamin F.
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Lynch, John B.	Pratt, Amasa
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Prouty, John E. O.
Mayhew, Ulysses E. •	Quinn, Patrick J.
McAnally, Frank	Rady, Andrew J.
McCarthy, Daniel	Rafferty, Patrick H.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Reid, James
McEttrick, Michael J.	Rice, William H.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Richardson, Albert W.
McFethries, John	Ripley, Samuel E.
McKenna, George B.	Rosnosky, Isaac
McLean, Isaac	Savage, Patrick J.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Smith, Charles S.
McSolla, Richard F.	Smith, Elvin L.
Mellen, James H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Taft, Henry G.
Mooney, William L.	Thurston, Lysander
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Tilden, Charles A.
Murray, Michael J.	Tilton, Frank B.
Newell, Charles B.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Whitney, Edwin
O'Brien, John J.	Wilder, Aaron O.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Emery, S. Hopkins
Bacheller, Charles M.	Fairbanks, John W.
Baker, Charles H.	Ferren, Myron J.
Barrett, Richard F.	Fears, Isaac P.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Fletcher, Charles T.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Giles, Joseph J.
Bingham, Henry T.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Goddard, Edward A.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Handley, Aaron C.
Britton, Henry W.	Harding, N. Frank
Brock, Lemuel M.	Hartshorn, James A.
Brown, George H.	Hemenway, Augustus
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Hodges, William D.
Butler, William M.	Horton, Everett S.
Carpenter, George N.	Howard, S. Edward
Charles, Salem D.	Howe, Archibald M.
Chester, Dwight	Howe, Edward C.
Clark, Louis M.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Johnson, Henry H.
Converse, Morton E.	Kemp, Parker J.
Danforth, John M.	Keyes, Charles G.
Day, Frederick B.	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Dewey, Henry S.	Kimball, John W.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Kittredge, Francis W.

Messrs. Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Messrs. Richardson, Arthur C.
Lakin, James A.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Lawrence, William B.	Salter, John J.
Leslie, Horace G.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lewis, James A.	Shaw, Charles F.
Loud, John C.	Sohier, William D.
Luther, Haile R.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Meade, William E.	Stevens, William S.
Moore, Charles	Swallow, George N.
Oakes, William H.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Olmstead, James M.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Parker, James O.	Turner, Henry E.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Penney, Alonzo	Warren, Bentley W.
Perkins, George W.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Pickering, Benjamin P.	White, Franklin B.
Plummer, John M.	Wier, Fred N.
Presho, Edward W.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Quincy, Josiah	Wilson, William Power
Ramage, James	Withington, Nathan N.

Yeas, 102; Nays, 88.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Edson, Nathan	Messrs. Curtis, Francis C.*
McLoughlin, John T.	Wright, William J.*
Tucker, George F.*	Sprague, Charles F.

* Present.

Orders of the Day.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newburyport, for an act authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse said city for the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of I. B. Little and others for an act of incorporation as the Merrimac Water Company was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a public park ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

A Resolve in favor of the Woman's Charity Club Hospital was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relating to the discharge of sewage, chemicals or waste products injurious to the public health into the great ponds or streams of this Commonwealth was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to fees and expenses in proceedings before trial justices ; and

To change the harbor lines and provide for the improvement of South Bay in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was further considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance. After debate its rejection was negatived by a vote of 21 to 99, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to regulate the procedure by and before commissions or commissioners established under the laws of this Commonwealth was taken up. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, at sixteen minutes before three o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 28, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, of the board of selectmen, board of health and others of Medford, to give to the board of selectmen of said town certain powers in relation to brooks and streams in said town, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Lawrence, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Drainage, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Medford, — brooks and streams.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wright of Duxbury, of the officers of the Gurnet Bridge Company of Duxbury, for the passage of a bill accompanying the petition relating to the draw in said bridge, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Wright, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Duxbury, — Gurnet Bridge Company.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

To supply the town of Methuen with water (reported on a petition) ;

Methuen, — water supply.

Relating to the employment of prisoners (Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting) ; and

To provide for the appointment of a board of sewerage commissioners for the city of Woburn and to define their powers and duties ;

Woburn, — sewerage commissioners.

(Severally reported on petitions) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salaries of
clerks in the
Auditor's de-
partment.

A Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks in the Auditor's department (substituted in the Senate for the report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court on so much of the report of the Auditor of the Commonwealth as relates to services and salaries); and

Mary C.
Ostrander.

A Resolve in favor of Mary C. Ostrander (reported on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

City of Gloucester,—celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Gloucester to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its settlement as a town came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out, in section 1, line 5, the word "settlement," and inserting in place thereof the word "incorporation;" also by striking out in the title the word "settlement," and inserting in place thereof the word "incorporation." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Report of a Committee.

Town of Braintree,—water supply.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Procedure
before com-
missions.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the Bill to regulate the procedure by and before commissions or commissioners established under the laws of this Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 57 to 7. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 6, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Succession to
the real and
personal estate
of deceased
persons.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Boston, the Bill concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the joint special committee on Registration of Titles, and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Waltham, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that when a city establishes a board of license commissioners under the provisions of section 28 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, such board shall also have the power to grant innholders' and common victuallers' licenses in such city under the provisions of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 1, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Boards of
license com-
missioners in
cities.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, Mr. Powers moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 7, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 1, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day. The question was first put on postponement until Thursday, May 7, which was lost. The motion of Mr. Bennett was then adopted, and the bill was postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 1, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Foreign
corporations.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

- To establish the district court of southern Norfolk ;
- To punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the Commonwealth at the State Prison at Boston ;
- Conferring additional jurisdiction upon the superior court ;
- Appropriating \$10,000 for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ;
- Changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater and the State Almshouse at Tewksbury are required to make their annual reports ;
- To incorporate the town of West Tisbury ; and

Bills enacted.

Changing the boundary between the cities of Boston and Somerville ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties ;

Concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents ; and

To authorize the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture to employ an assistant clerk ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

In favor of Simon E. Young (which originated in the House) ; and

Authorizing the tabulation of special statistics for the United States census in the rooms of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 282 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to Harvard bridge, so that it shall read as follows : "*Sect. 4.* The boards of aldermen of said cities may, by concurrent vote, on such terms and conditions as they may deem proper, and subject to such regulations as they may from time to time adopt, authorize the running of street cars over said bridge, or the setting apart of a portion of said bridge for the special use of said cars ;"

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to authorizing the city of Boston to make contracts, for twenty years or less, for lighting its streets, public places and parks, and to grant exclusive rights for the use of its streets as a consideration for such contracts ; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the State indemnify, in part, towns and cities for building bridges largely to accommodate through travel, and especially small towns with expensive bridges, located near State lines, and with small valuations ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning contingent remainders; and the Resolve releasing the interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands in the town of Winchester;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a public park was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the deposit of public moneys with certain trust companies was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 428 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the abolition of grade crossings, by striking out in line 8 the words "directors of the company," and inserting in place thereof the words "railroad commissioners," so that a decision involving a change in the grade of the railroad may be made with the consent of the railroad commissioners, without requiring the consent of the directors of the company, was further considered. Mr. White of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings." Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until May 7, which motion was lost. The bill moved by Mr. White as an amendment was read, and, after debate, was substituted and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill in addition to an act to provide for laying out a highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee was read a second time and considered. Mr. Henderson of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, by a vote of 122 to 32, and under the rule, the bill, as amended, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax was further considered, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Clark of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to amend chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to reinsurance was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved that the bill be laid upon the table, which motion was lost. On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 4, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to provide for the examination of school teachers by State authority was further considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, by a vote of 95 to 52.

The Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers, and to prescribe certain duties, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Barrett of Malden, the bill was rejected by a vote of 27 to 104.

The Bill relating to the qualifications of special police officers and to liability for assaults by unqualified persons was taken up. Pending the question on its engrossment, and pending the amendments printed in the calendar, moved by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Lawrence of Medford, at twenty-one minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 29, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

House Document Reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Voted, That House Document No. 405, being a Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, be reprinted as a House document. Foreign corporations.

Petitions Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ensign of Watertown, of the selectmen of Richmond, to ratify the election of the board of library trustees of said town, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Ensign, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Town of Richmond,—election of board of library trustees.

A petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Shrewsbury, of Noah Wadsworth and others of Northborough, for the passage of a law prohibiting employers of labor from compelling their employees to purchase their groceries and supplies at the stores of such employers, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. The petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court. Employers of labor,—compulsory purchase of goods by employees.

Laid Over.

The following order, offered by Mr. McFethries of Springfield, was, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, laid over until to-morrow : —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of substituting a secret ballot for the yea and nay vote in the House of Representatives, on a call from House of Representatives,—substituting secret ballots for the yea and

day vote on a
call of thirty
members.

thirty of its members for the same, on any important question pending, and thus avail ourselves of the benefits of the Australian ballot system in our legislation.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order : —

Industrial
School at
Lawrence.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the inmates of the Industrial School at Lawrence may serve the balance of their sentences in the Truant School at Lawrence, and that the Superior Court may make such order in the premises as the circumstances of the case may require, —

Came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Mary E. O'Neil.

A petition of Mary E. O'Neil that she may be made eligible to receive State aid was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of
Saugus.

A Bill to legalize and confirm a vote of the town of Saugus, appropriating money for the purpose of dedicating a soldiers' monument (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Penney of Lynn, was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Penney.

Sureties on
bonds of
trustees.

The House Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes, in regard to sureties on bonds of trustees, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in line 3 by inserting after the word "amended" the words "by striking out in the sixth line of said section the word 'being,' and inserting in place thereof the words 'who are;'" and by inserting after the word 'capacity,' in said sixth line, the words 'other than creditors;'" and by inserting after the word 'exemption,' in said sixth line, the words 'but not until the guardian of any minor interested therein, and such other persons as the court shall direct, have been notified and have had opportunity to show cause against the same;'" also by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following new title: "An act relating to the giving of bonds without sureties by trustees." Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to legislation relating to granting locations for poles of telegraph and telephone companies in towns; also of amending chapter 404 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the regulation and supervision of wires, so that the provisions of said act shall apply to towns; also of legislation for the better regulation and control by State, city and town officers of the acts and business of corporations making use of wires over or under public highways; also of legislation for the better protection of persons and property against injury from electric wires; also of enlarging the powers of the supervisor of wires over streets or buildings in the city of Boston. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Location of
telegraph poles
and supervision
of wires in
towns.

By Mr. Bliss of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company.

Quincy Electric
Freight Railway
Company.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), a Bill to authorize the city of Quincy to introduce a public water supply. (Mr. Wyer of the Senate and Messrs. Johnson of Haverhill, McFethries of Springfield and Nutting of Northampton, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Quincy,
— water supply.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Easthampton ought to pass.

Town of East-
hampton, —
annual town
meeting.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic ought to pass.

Sale of articles
containing
arsenic.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of probation officers ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Appointment of
probation
officers.

Laid on the Table.

Shooting of
wild fowl.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John S. Nicholson and others, for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15, which, on April 23, was postponed for consideration until April 30, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day, was, by unanimous consent, taken up and was laid on the table.

Reconsideration.

Examination of
school teachers
by State
authority.

Mr. Gardner of Nantucket moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill to provide for the examination of school teachers by State authority. After debate, the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Restriction of
the use of
fireworks.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, the Bill to restrict the use of crackers, squibs and serpents, toy pistols, toy cannon, bombs and mortars, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Kittredge, by substituting a bill with the same title, and pending the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 6, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Salem,
— poles and
wires in the
streets.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to authorize the board of aldermen of the city of Salem to regulate the maintenance and use of poles within the limits of the streets of said city, which, on April 23, was postponed for further consideration until April 30, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day, was taken up by unanimous consent, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 7, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Haver-
hill, — water
supply.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, the Bill in addition to an act to supply the city of Haverhill with water was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it

was, on further motion of Mr. Johnson, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 5, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to incur a debt for park purposes, beyond the limit fixed by law, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. City of Boston,
—public parks.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, the Resolve in favor of the Woman's Charity Club Hospital was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Woman's
Charity Club
Hospital.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Curtis, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 7, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day. Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 5, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day. Abolition of
grade crossings.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill relating to fees and expenses in proceedings before trial justices (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The following order, reported by the committee on Cities, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to a general municipal law, was adopted, as recommended by the committee, and sent up for concurrence: —

Orders of the
day.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and six members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess, and hear such evidence as may be submitted, after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, on the subject of securing greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth, and of framing a general form of municipal charter which may be adopted in whole or in part by any existing city and under which any town subject to the requirements of the Constitution may become incorporated as a city.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

A report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the city of Boston to determine the classes of property on which taxes for municipal expenses shall be assessed was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To supply the town of Methuen with water; and

To provide for the appointment of a board of sewerage commissioners for the city of Woburn, and to define their powers and duties;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the qualifications of special police officers and to liability for assaults by unqualified persons was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. An amendment moved by Mr. McEttrick of Boston was adopted, to wit: Add at the end of section 2 the following words: "*provided*, that this section shall not be construed to prevent any person or corporation from calling upon his or its servants for

assistance in the defence of his or its property if such servants are residents of the Commonwealth; and provided, further, that this section shall not create any liability for damages by reason of the calling upon servants for assistance or for acts done by such servants unless such servants are non-residents of this Commonwealth rendering assistance with arms."

The pending amendments moved by Mr. Lawrence of Medford were rejected, to wit: To insert two new sections, to be numbered sections 3 and 4, as follows: "*Sect. 3.* In all cases where any dwelling-house or other building or property, real or personal, shall be destroyed, within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in consequence of any mob or riot, it shall be lawful for the person or persons, including therein corporations, public, private or municipal, interested in and owning such property, to bring suit against the county where such property was situated, for the recovery of the damages sustained by reason of the destruction thereof; and the amount which shall be recovered in said action shall be paid out of the county treasury, on warrants drawn by the commissioners thereof, who are hereby required to draw the same as soon as said damages are fixed and ascertained. But no person or persons or corporation shall be entitled to the benefits of this act if it shall appear that the destruction of his, their or its property was caused by his, their or its illegal conduct; nor unless it be made to appear that he or they, upon knowledge had of the intention or attempt to destroy his, their or its property, or to collect a mob for such purpose, and sufficient time intervening to permit notice to have been given, gave notice thereof to a constable, justice of the peace, alderman or selectman of the city or town in which such property may be situated, or to the sheriff of said county; and it shall be the duty of said sheriff, alderman, selectman, constable or justice, upon the receipt of such notice, to take all legal means to protect said property so attacked or threatened to be attacked; and if the sheriff, alderman, selectman, constable or justice of the peace, upon the receipt of such notice, or upon knowledge of such attack or intended riot or disturbance, shall neglect or refuse to perform his duties in the premises, he or they so neglecting or refusing shall be liable for the damage done to such property, to be recovered by an

action of tort, and shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor in office; and on conviction thereof, by the proper court, his office shall thereupon become vacant: *provided, however*, that nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the person or persons or corporation whose property is injured or destroyed from having and maintaining his, their or its action against all and every person engaged or participating in said riot or mob, to recover full damages for any injury sustained; and *provided, further*, that no damages shall be recovered by the party injured against any of said rioters for the same injury for which compensation shall be made by the county.

“*Sect. 4.* It shall be lawful for the commissioners of the county, against which damages shall be recovered under the provisions of this act, to bring a suit or suits in the name of the county against any or all persons engaged or in any manner participating in said mob or riot, or against any sheriff, alderman, selectman, justice of the peace, or other officer charged with the maintenance of the public peace, who may by neglect of duty be liable to the provisions of this act, for the recovery of all damages, costs and expenses incurred by said county, and said suits shall not abate or fail by reason of too many or too few parties defendants being named therein; but the same shall, to all intents and purposes, be treated as actions of tort for trespass brought by the owner of such property.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of South Hadley, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 82 yeas to 83 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Atkins, Edwin A.
Baker, Charles H.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Bill, Ledyard
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Britton, Henry W.
Brophy, James L.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.

Messrs. Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, Richard A.
Child, Daniel R.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fletcher, Charles T.
Flood, Nathan B.

Messrs. Frazer, Charles A.
 Golding, John
 Gould, David E.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hurley, John T.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Knox, James W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McEnaney, Thomas O.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stearns, William H.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wetherell, Barney T.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Brown, George H.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Butler, William M.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.

Messrs. Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.

Messrs. Kimball, John W.	Messrs. Prouty, John E. O.
Kirby, Albert C.	Ramage, James
Knowlton, George K.	Read, Franklin F.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Salter, John J.
Lane, Howard G.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Langdon, Henry W.	Smith, Charles S.
Lawrence, William B.	Sohier, William D.
Lewis, James A.	Sprague, Charles F.
Lord, Lucien	Stevens, William S.
Loud, John C.	Taft, Henry G.
Marston, Dudley J.	Thurston, Lysander
McFarland, Herbert A.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
McFethries, John	Tucker, George F.
Meade, William E.	Turner, Henry E.
Monk, Hiram A.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Mott, Edward	Wardwell, J. Otis
Murray, Michael J.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Newell, Charles B.	White, Franklin B.
Olmstead, James M.	Whitney, Edwin
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Penney, Alonzo	Withington, Nathan N.
Perkins, George W.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Powers, Wilbur H.	

Yeas, 82; Nays, 83.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Rady, Andrew J.*	Messrs. Luther, Haile R.
McDonald, Peter J.	Williams, Hezekiah W.*
Rosnosky, Isaac	Hinds, John F.*
Tilton, Frank B.*	Pratt, Amasa
McCarthy, Daniel	Wright, William J.*
Fallon, J. Otis	Moore, Charles*

* Present.

The Bill to promote the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 62 yeas to 107 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Barrett, Richard F.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Bennett, Frank P.
Barrett, Harry H.	Brophy, James L.

Messrs. Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Burke, James F.
 Carroll, Michael
 Clough, George S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gould, David E.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 McFarland, Herbert A.

Messrs. McKenna, George B.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McFethries, John
 Mellen, James H.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Murray, Michael J.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Plummer, John M.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sobier, William D.
 Stearns, William H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 White, Franklin B.
 Wier, Fred N.

NATS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brown, George H.
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clapp, James W.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Coffey, John H.
 Corbett, Myron L.

Messrs. Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Golding, John
 Greene, Edward W.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.

Messrs. Hemenway, Augustus	Messrs. Perkins, George W.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Hobson, Charles H.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Howard, S. Edward	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howe, Archibald M.	Pratt, Amasa
Howe, Edward C.	Presho, Edward W.
Judd, Myron H.	Prouty, John E. O.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Kelly, Charles A.	Ramage, James
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Kimball, John W.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Knowlton, George K.	Shaw, Charles F.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Smith, Charles S.
Lane, Hiram B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lane, Howard G.	Sprague, Charles F.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Stevens, William S.
Lawrence, William B.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Leslie, Horace G.	Swallow, George N.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Lynch, John B.	Thurston, Lysander
Marston, Dudley J.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
McAnally, Frank	Tilden, Charles A.
McCarthy, Daniel	Tilton, Frank B.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Turner, Henry E.
McSolla, Richard F.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Meade, William E.	Waterman, Eben C.
Moore, Charles	Wheaton, Henry C.
Mott, Edward	Whitney, Edwin
Newell, Charles B.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Oakes, William H.	Wilson, William Power
Olmstead, James M.	Withington, Nathan N.
Parker, James O.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Wright, William J.
Penney, Alonzo	

Yeas, 62; Nays, 107.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Converse, Morton E.	Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.*
Hurley, John T.*	Rice, William H.
Butler, William M.*	Kittredge, Francis W.
Bill, Ledyard*	Bingham, Henry T.

* Present.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Rady of Cambridge moved to amend in section 8, line 21, by adding after the word "certificate" the words "and certificates shall in all cases be paid in the order of date of issue."

Mr. Gould of Chelsea moved to amend in section 18 by striking out, in the fifteenth and sixteenth lines thereof, the words "first day of March in the year 1891," and inserting in place thereof the words "passage of this act," so that said section shall read: "No corporation, association, partnership or individuals of this or any other State shall hereafter engage in or continue the business of making a payment to a member or his family at the end of a fixed period of time, as defined in section 8 of this act, unless chartered as herein provided or admitted as provided in section 11, and its constitution or laws filed with the Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth prior to May 28, 1890, and said constitution or laws provided for payment as aforesaid: *provided, however,* that any corporation so chartered, which filed its constitution or laws as aforesaid, prior to the passage of this act, and in said constitution or laws provided for the addition to its previous business, under the provisions of section 9, a payment to a member or his family at the end of a fixed period of time, may continue such business in accordance with the provisions of section 8."

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend in section 18 as follows: Strike out in the tenth and eleventh lines the words "May twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety," and substitute the words "the passage of this act;" also strike out all of the remainder of the section after the word "aforesaid," in the twelfth line, and substitute the following: "provided, nothing contained in this act shall be construed to prevent foreign corporations promising payment as aforesaid, who have filed certified copies of their articles of incorporation with the Commissioner of Corporations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and have actually engaged in business in this Commonwealth previous to the passage of this act, from continuing said business by hereafter complying with the provisions of this act," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"Section 18. No corporation, association, partnership or individuals of this or any other State shall hereafter

engage in or continue the business of making a payment to a member or his family at the end of a fixed period of time, as defined in section 8 of this act, unless chartered as herein provided or admitted as provided in section 11, and its constitution or laws filed with the Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth prior to the passage of this act, and said constitution or laws provided for payment as aforesaid; provided, nothing contained in this act shall be construed to prevent foreign corporations promising payment as aforesaid, who have filed certified copies of their articles of incorporation with the Commissioner of Corporations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and have actually engaged in business in this Commonwealth previous to the passage of this act, from continuing said business by hereafter complying with the provisions of this act."

The pending amendments, printed in the calendar, moved by Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Bennett of Everett, were severally withdrawn by those gentlemen, there being no objection. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Westborough, the House, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 30, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Petition, presented by Mr. Ramage of Holyoke, of M. G. Burkhardt and other members of the Holyoke city council, in favor of the Bill reported by the committee on Roads and Bridges, putting the power of placing the site of the bridge between Holyoke and Chicopee in the hands of the county commissioners. Placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Williamansett
bridge.*Resolution Presented.*

The following Resolution, presented by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Whereas, it appears by the united testimony of the public journals that Mrs. Clarietta Johnson, a citizen of this Commonwealth, has been deprived of her liberty, and sentenced to imprisonment as punished for an infamous crime, without her counsel being allowed to interpose and argue legal objections to the sufficiency of the indictment and proceedings against her, and without apparent legal cause or justification, and against her consent ; and that her counsel was removed from the court, and then sentence passed against her ; and she is now confined in one of the houses of detention and reformation in this Commonwealth, undergoing such sentence ;

Clarietta
Johnson, —
Attorney-
General.

And whereas, it appears that a precedent has been established in this Commonwealth under the Fugitive Slave Law, and the proceedings of the United States officials in that regard, that its Legislature will not permit the prisons of the Commonwealth to be used for the detention or imprisonment either of citizens or of denizens in the Commonwealth, without due process of law ;

Wherefore, be it resolved that the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth be and is hereby instructed to examine into the legality and propriety of the proceedings by which said Clarietta Johnson is now held in prison, and after notifying the authorities of the United States and the prisoner that they may be heard therein, to make such report and recommendation of action to be taken by the Legislature in this behalf as to law and justice shall appertain.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

House of Representatives, —
secret ballot.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of substituting a secret ballot for the yea and nay vote in the House of Representatives on a call from thirty of its members for the same, on any important question pending, and thus avail ourselves of the benefits of the Australian ballot system in our legislation.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Stearns of Salem, the order was rejected.

Papers from the Senate.

Support of
minor children
under guardianship.

A Bill authorizing the probate court to compel parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship, being a new draft of the House Bill authorizing the probate court to order parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Manufacture
and sale of
clothing made
in unhealthy
places.

A Bill to prevent the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places (reported on a special message of His Excellency the Governor on the "sweating system," so called, and transmitting reports on the subject of the chief of the district police), passed to be engrossed, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Report of a Committee.

Purchase and
distribution of
regimental
histories.

By Mr. Prouty of Scituate, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories

ought to pass. (Messrs. Kemp and Wyer of the Senate and Mr. Handley of Acton, of the House, dissenting.) Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill relating to the qualifications of special police officers and to liability for assaults by unqualified persons. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 84 yeas to 97 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Hobson, Charles H.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Howard, Timothy
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Hurley, John T.
Boodey, Charles H.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Breen, Daniel F.	Kelly, Charles A.
Bright, Elmer H.	Kenrick, John, Jr.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Knox, James W.
Brophy, James L.	Lakin, James A.
Buchholz, Herman	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Buckley, William P.	Leslie, Horace G.
Burke, James F.	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Cannon, Patrick	Luby, Patrick B.
Cannon, William	Lynch, John B.
Capen, Robert P.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Carroll, Michael	McAnally, Frank
Carter, Richard A.	McCarthy, Daniel
Chance, Charles J.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Child, Daniel R.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Coffey, John H.	McLean, Isaac
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	McLoughlin, John T.
Ellis, Edward C.	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Ensign, Charles S.	McSolla, Richard F.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Mellen, James H.
Finney, Elkanah	Mitchell, Michael J.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Mooney, William L.
Golding, John	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Gould, David E.	O'Brien, John
Haggerty, Roger	O'Brien, John J.
Harriman, Charles H.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Parker, James O.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Hemenway, Augustus	Presho, Edward W.
Herrod, Edward E.	Quincy, Josiah

Messrs. Quinn, Patrick J.	Messrs. Stearns, William H.
Rady, Andrew J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Rafferty, Patrick H.	Swallow, George N.
Reid, James	Tilden, Charles A.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Tilton, Frank B.
Ripley, Samuel E.	Turner, Charles W.
Savage, Patrick J.	Waterman, Eben C.
Smith, Elvin L.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Worcester, Charles F.

NATS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Handley, Aaron C.
Babson, Fitz J.	Horton, Everett S.
Barrett, Harry H.	Howard, S. Edward
Bennett, Frank P.	Howe, Archibald M.
Bingham, Henry T.	Hunting, Amos
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Jenkins, Robert B.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Johnson, Henry H.
Britton, Henry W.	Kemp, Parker J.
Brooks, Ethan	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Brown, George H.	Kimball, John W.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Kirby, Albert C.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Knowlton, George K.
Butler, William M.	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Lane, Hiram B.
Carpenter, George N.	Lane, Howard G.
Chester, Dwight	Lawrence, William B.
Clapp, James W.	Lewis, James A.
Clark, Louis M.	Lord, Lucien
Clough, George S.	Loud, John C.
Corbett, Myron L.	Luther, Haile R.
Curtis, Francis C.	Marston, Dudley J.
Danforth, John M.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Davis, Squire S.	McFarland, Herbert A.
Day, Frederick B.	McFethries, John
Dewey, Henry S.	Meade, William E.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Monk, Hiram A.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Moore, Charles
Fairbanks, John W.	Mott, Edward
Fales, Nathan H.	Murray, Michael J.
Ferren, Myron J.	Newell, Charles B.
Fears, Isaac P.	Olmstead, James M.
Flood, Nathan B.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Gale, John A.	Penney, Alonzo
Gardner, Arthur H.	Perkins, George W.
Giles, Joseph J.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Goddard, Edward A.	Prouty, John E. O.
Greene, Edward W.	Ramage, James

Messrs. Read, Franklin F.	Messrs. Thurston, Lysander
Rice, William H.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Richardson, Albert W.	Turner, Henry E.
Salter, John J.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Smith, Charles S.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Sohier, William D.	Whitney, Edwin
Stevens, William S.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Taft, Henry G.	Wilson, William Power
Thomas, Harrison O.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Thompson, Edwin D.	

Yeas, 84 ; Nays, 97.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Nutting, Arthur F.	Messrs. Howe, Edward C.*
Shaw, Charles F.*	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Rosenosky, Isaac	Hinds, John F.*
Judd, Myron H.*	Kittredge, Francis W.
Fallon, J. Otis	Sprague, Charles F.*

* Present.

Discharged from the Orders.

* On motion of Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, the Bill relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 7, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day. Duties of assessors.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Corbett, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 7, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day. Lists of personal property.

State Prison, —
grading and
classifying of
prisoners.

On motion of Mr. Luther of New Bedford, the Bill to authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Luther, by a vote of 160 to 0, in section 1, line 2, by striking out the words "superintendent of prisons" and inserting in place thereof the words "Board of Prison Commissioners," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

City of Boston,
— Mount Hope
Cemetery.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to Mount Hope Cemetery, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Quincy moved to amend the report by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw" and inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the next General Court," which amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— new public
library.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, the Bill to enable the city of Boston to borrow one million dollars outside its debt limit, for completing the new public library, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Under a further suspension of the rules, it was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Hutchinson, in section 1, line 12, by inserting after the word "years" the words "from their date;" also in line 13 of the same section, by inserting after the words "per cent." the words "per annum;" also in line 14, by striking out the words "to be" and inserting in place thereof the word "and;" also in section 3, line 3, after the word "time," by inserting the words "as required;" and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of Mr. Hutchinson, Rule 15 was suspended.

City of Gloucester, — 250th
anniversary.

On motion of Mr. Babson of Gloucester, the Bill to authorize the city of Gloucester to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its settlement as a town was discharged from the orders of the day, under a

suspension of the rule. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Stearns of Salem, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to legislation relating to granting locations for poles of telegraph and telephone companies in towns; also of amending chapter 404 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the regulation and supervision of wires, so that the provisions of said act shall apply to towns; also of legislation for the better regulation and control by State, city and town officers of the acts and business of corporations making use of wires over or under public highways; also of legislation for the better protection of persons and property against injury from electric wires; also of enlarging the powers of the supervisor of wires over streets or buildings in the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 13, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Regulation of
electric wires.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the Bill to supply the town of Methuen with water was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Parker, in section 2, line 3, by striking out the word "or," and by inserting after the word "spring," in said line, the words "or wells;" also in line 6, by striking out the word "or" and the word "wells," and inserting after the word "artesian," in said line, the words "or other wells on any land;" and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Town of
Methuen,—
water supply.

Mr. Johnson of Haverhill rose to a question of privilege, and stated that the Bill to authorize the city of Quincy to introduce a public water supply (printed as House, No. 504 in the calendar) was not in terms the same as the bill reported by the committee on Water Supply, and on which he desired to be recorded as dissenting, and asked that the bill be recommitted to the committee.

City of Quincy,
— water supply.

On motion of Mr. Bullock of Fall River, the bill was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the

question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Water Supply.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

In amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign corporations engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto (which originated in the House); and

To legalize and confirm a vote of the town of Saugus appropriating money for the purpose of dedicating a soldiers' monument (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the day.

To incorporate the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company; and

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Easthampton;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of probation officers was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a board of sewerage commissioners for the city of Woburn, and to define their powers and duties, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the collection of the statistics of deposits in savings banks was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the bill was refused a third reading.

The Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment was further considered, the question being on ordering to a

third reading. The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Taxation, to wit: Add at the end thereof the following words: "unless such person is absent from the city or town in which the tax is to be laid during the whole period when it may be made, in which case the oath may be administered by a notary public, the jurat to be duly authenticated by his seal," was adopted. The bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 27 to 43.

The Bill to amend section 2 of chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to commissioners of pilots for the harbor of Boston, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Butler of New Bedford moved to amend by adding the following new sections, to wit:—

"*Sect. 2.* Section 3 of chapter 70 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows: *Sect. 3.* Said commissioners shall grant commissions for pilots for the harbor of Boston to such persons as they deem competent for the purpose. They may, upon satisfactory evidence of misconduct, carelessness or neglect of duty, suspend any such pilot for one month, and may continue said suspension for a period not exceeding six months, or may revoke his commission at their discretion. They shall see that the laws and regulations for pilotage within the harbor of Boston are duly observed and executed, shall receive and hear complaints by and against pilots for the harbor of Boston, and decide the same.

"*Sect. 3.* Section 5 of chapter 70 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'thereof,' in the fifth line thereof, the words 'and all sums so paid to said commissioners shall be paid over by them to the treasurer of the Commonwealth,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows: *Sect. 5.* Once in every three months each pilot for the harbor of Boston shall render to the said commissioners an accurate account of all vessels piloted by him, and of all moneys received for pilotage by him or by any person for him, and he shall pay to said commissioners four per cent. on the amount thereof, and all sums so paid to said commissioners shall be paid over by them to the treasurer of the Commonwealth; and if a pilot makes a false return of moneys received, he shall pay a sum not exceeding fifty dollars.

"*Sect. 4.* Section 6 of chapter 70 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows: *Sect. 6.*

The commissioners shall receive an annual salary of fourteen hundred dollars each, to be paid by the Commonwealth, and there shall be allowed to said commissioners by the Commonwealth a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars for office rent, clerk hire and other incidental expenses."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was refused a third reading.

The Bill regulating the reserves of trust companies and safe deposit, loan and trust companies was taken up. On the
 Point of order. pending question of order, raised by Mr. Mooney of Boston, that the bill was in violation of House Rule No. 30, and should be based on a petition for the reason that it "affected the rights of corporations otherwise than as it affected generally the people of the whole Commonwealth," the Speaker stated that the provisions of the bill proposed that the trust companies in Boston should be obliged to retain as reserve twenty per cent. of their deposits, while the trust companies outside the city of Boston should be obliged only to retain fifteen per cent.; that it affected certain trust companies differently from other trust companies of the same class, and therefore contemplated legislation which, within the meaning of the rule, should be based upon a petition rather than upon an order. He therefore ruled that the point of order was well taken and the bill was
 Ruling of the Chair. accordingly laid aside.

Mr. Stevens of Boston moved that the bill be recommended to the committee on Banks and Banking. Mr.
 Point of order. Hutchinson of Boston raised the point of order that a motion to recommit was not in order, being in violation of Joint Rule 5, which provides that no recommittal shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken. Mr. Stevens moved that Joint Rule 5 be suspended, that the motion to recommit might be entertained. The motion to suspend the rule was lost.

The Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend, in section 1, line 15, by inserting after the word "Commonwealth" the following words: "and all such property which passes to or for the use of

any father, mother, husband, wife, child, brother, sister, wife or a widow of a son, or the husband of a daughter, or any child or children adopted as such, in conformity with the laws of the State of Massachusetts, or to any person to whom the deceased, for not less than ten years prior to death, stood in the mutually acknowledged relation of a parent, or to any lineal descendant born in lawful wedlock; in every such case the rate of such tax shall be one dollar on every hundred dollars of the clear market value of such property, and at and after the same rate for every less amount, provided that an estate which may be valued at a less sum than \$10,000 shall not be subject to any such duty or tax."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. McFarland of Wales, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 80 to 26; the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to restrict the height of buildings in cities was read a second time and considered. Mr. Blanchard of Boston moved to amend in section 1, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words "one hundred and forty" and inserting in place thereof the words "one hundred and twenty-five." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the question was first put on allowing the words "one hundred and forty" to remain in the bill, which motion was lost. The amendment of Mr. Blanchard was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the inspection and sale of milk was read a second time and considered. After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Hemenway of Canton, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, under the rule, the House, —

At quarter before five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 1, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Emery of Taunton, a member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Assessment of
taxes on per-
sonal property.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Corbett of Bernardston, of Charles M. Howe and 18 accompanying petitions; by Mr. Bill of Paxton, of C. B. Hathaway and others of Somerset; D. H. Damon and others of Ashby, Charles E. Haynes and others of Sudbury, H. F. Rice and others of Sutton, and F. A. Rist and others of Franklin County; by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of George L. Averill and others of North Andover, Frank Buckminster and others of Methuen and H. C. Bliss and others of West Springfield, — severally, for the passage of a law providing for the assessment of the taxable personal property of persons refusing to bring in sworn lists at double the assessors' estimate thereof.

Fraternal bene-
ficiary orders.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Bliss of Boston, of A. A. Cheney and others of Brookline, E. F. Partridge and others, Fred S. Browne and others of Hudson, James F. Mullen and 53 others, John P. Nicol and 80 others of Cambridge, also of the officers of Cambridge Lodge No. 4. Order of the Golden Shield, representing 592 members, of Charles B. Johnson and others of Westborough, and of C. J. Henniger and others of Wollaston; by Mr. White of Worcester, of C. H. Gulliver and others, William Richardson and others, and J. Alexsky and others of Worcester; by Mr. Howe of Gardner, of John B. Wheeler and others of Templeton, J. F. Cook and others, Charles Bennett and others, and William W. Alexander and others of Gardner and West Gardner; by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, of Isadore A. Janson and 112 others of Fall River; by Mr.

Wright of Duxbury, of F. F. Martin, Jr., and others of Cohasset; by Mr. Gould of Chelsea, of Isaac Fernald and 26 others of Chelsea, George E. Conley and others, Charles W. Anderson and others, and Grace E. Graves and others of Chelsea; by Mr. Bright of Cambridge, of J. F. Condon and 60 others of Cambridgeport, also of the officers of General Sherman Lodge No. 8, Order of the Golden Shield, in behalf of 237 members; by Mr. Baker of Lynn, of John H. Clarke and others of Lynn; by Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, of Charles C. Sawin and others and Napoleon Richards and others of Marlborough; by Mr. Brophy of Framingham, of W. H. Milliken and others of South Framingham; by Mr. Thompson of Hopkinton, of H. A. Greeley and others of Hopkinton; by Mr. Pratt of Lowell, of J. E. Armstrong and others, P. B. Sherlock and others, A. Cohen and others, C. W. Pinkham and others, and J. B. Griffin and others of Lowell; and by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, of W. J. Newman and 34 others of Attleborough, — severally, against any legislation preventing fraternal beneficiary orders chartered under the laws of other States from continuing business and extending their membership in this Commonwealth.

A memorial, presented by Mr. Charles of Boston, of the mayor of Boston, in opposition to pending legislation requiring foreign corporations to report the names of their shareholders, and transmitting resolutions of the board of aldermen of said city in opposition to such legislation, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Foreign corporations.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling railroad companies to maintain safe crossings where such are necessary to enable owners to reach and use their land, unless such land has been fully paid for by such companies, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Safe crossings on railroads.

Bills:

To establish a drainage board for the city of Lynn (reported on an order and a petition); and

City of Lynn, — drainage board.

City of Boston,
— payment of
debts.

To extend the time within which the city of Boston may pay certain debts (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor, — rental
of houses.

A petition of James J. Murphy and others for legislation to protect wage-earners in closely crowded districts, and that the Bureau of Statistics of Labor be directed to ascertain and report to the next General Court to what extent the lands of the city of Boston and suburbs are held by land companies for speculative purposes ; the names of such companies ; the location of lands so held ; the number of families in Boston who are rent payers ; the average rent paid ; average income of each family ; what per cent. of the male population are citizens ; and other information of like nature, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of Rich-
mond, — elec-
tion of library
trustees.

The House petition of the selectmen of Richmond for ratification of the election of the board of library trustees of said town came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Report of a Committee.

City of Boston,
— public parks.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Reconsideration.

City of Woburn.

Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to provide for the appointment of a board of sewerage commissioners for the city of Woburn, and to define their powers and duties. The motion prevailed, and pending the recurring question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Lists of property
for assessment.

Mr. Wheaton of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment. After debate the motion prevailed, and pending

the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Wheaton, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 7, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Luther of New Bedford, the Bill to provide for the appointment of probation officers was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Luther, in section 7, line 5, by inserting after the word "justice" the words "and may upon the order of the court take on probation any person convicted in said court," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

Appointment of
probation off-
cers.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill to prevent the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Manufacture
and sale of
clothing made
in unhealthy
places.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the
day.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Easthampton ; and

Relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the inspection and sale of milk, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill providing for the compensation of the members of the Legislature was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Wilson of Boston moved to amend by striking out, in section 2, the words "upon its passage" and inserting in place thereof the words "January sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-one." Mr. Mitchell of Boston raised the

Point of order. point of order that the amendment was beyond the scope of the order on which the bill was reported. The Speaker stated that the order contemplated legislation increasing the salary of the members of the General Court of 1891, and any amendment proposing the increase of salary of members of any other Legislature was not in order, and therefore ruled that the point of order was well taken and that the amendment was not in order.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Quinn of Worcester, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Bill of Paxton, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 71 yeas to 124 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Messrs.
Anderson, Stephen	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Babson, Fitz J.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Baker, Charles H.	Kelly, Charles A.
Bingham, Henry T.	Knox, James W.
Breen, Daniel F.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Britton, Henry W.	Leslie, Horace G.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Brown, George H.	Loud, John C.
Buchholz, Herman	Luby, Patrick B.
Burke, James F.	Lynch, John B.
Cannon, Patrick	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Carter, Richard A.	Marston, Dudley J.
Chance, Charles J.	McCarthy, Daniel
Child, Daniel R.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Coffey, John H.	McKenna, George B.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Davis, Squire S.	McSolla, Richard F.
Ellis, Edward C.	Mellen, James H.
Fairbanks, John W.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Mooney, William L.
Frazer, Charles A.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Giles, Joseph J.	Murray, Michael J.
Golding, John	O'Brien, John
Haggerty, Roger	Penney, Alonzo
Hall, Henry C.	Plummer, John M.
Harriman, Charles H.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Hartshorn, James A.	Rady, Andrew J.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Hinds, John F.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Howard, Timothy	Salter, John J.

Messrs. Smith, Elvin L.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Tibbetts, Edwin A.

Messrs. Tilden, Charles A.
Turner, Henry E.
Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
Barrett, Harry H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Bill, Ledyard
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Boodey, Charles H.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brooks, Ethan
Brophy, James L.
Buckley, William P.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carpenter, Erastus P.
Carpenter, George N.
Carroll, Michael
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Corbett, Myron L.
Curtis, Francis C.
Danforth, John M.
Day, Frederick B.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fales, Nathan H.
Ferren, Myron J.
Finney, Elkanah
Fletcher, Charles T.
Gale, John A.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Goddard, Edward A.
Greene, Edward W.
Handley, Aaron C.
Harding, N. Frank
Hemenway, Augustus

Messrs. Hobson, Charles H.
Hodges, William D.
Horton, Everett S.
Howard, S. Edward
Howe, Archibald M.
Howe, Edward C.
Howe, S. Augustus
Hunting, Amos
Johnson, Henry H.
Judd, Myron H.
Kemp, Parker J.
Kenrick, John, Jr.
Kilmer, Frederick M.
Kimball, John W.
Kirby, Albert C.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Knowlton, George K.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lakin, James A.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lane, Howard G.
Lawrence, William B.
Lewis, James A.
Lord, Lucien
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McAnally, Frank
McEttrick, Michael J.
McFarland, Herbert A.
McFethries, John
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
Meade, William E.
Monk, Hiram A.
Moore, Charles
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Mott, Edward
Newell, Charles B.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John J.
Olmstead, James M.
Parker, James O.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Perkins, George W.

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Brock, Lemuel M.		Lomasney, Joseph P.	
Brown, George H.		Loud, John C.	
Buchholz, Herman		Luby, Patrick B.	
Burke, James F.		Lynch, John B.	
Cannon, Patrick		Mahoney, Cornelius E.	
Carter, Richard A.		Marston, Dudley J.	
Chance, Charles J.		McCarthy, Daniel	
Child, Daniel R.		McEnaney, Thomas O.	
Coffey, John H.		McKenna, George B.	
Crowley, Jeremiah J.		McNamara, Jeremiah J.	
Davis, Squire S.		McSolla, Richard F.	
Ellis, Edward C.		Mellen, James H.	
Fairbanks, John W.		Mitchell, Michael J.	
Fallon, Thomas F.		Mooney, William L.	
Frazer, Charles A.		Moreau, Louis E. P.	
Giles, Joseph J.		Murray, Michael J.	
Golding, John		O'Brien, John	
Haggerty, Roger		Penney, Alonzo	
Hall, Henry C.		Plummer, John M.	
Harriman, Charles H.		Quinn, Patrick J.	
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Presho, Edward W.	Tilton, Frank B.
Quincy, Josiah	Tucker, George F.
Read, Franklin F.	Turner, Charles W.
Reid, James	Tuttle, William H. H.
Rice, William H.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Richardson, Arthur C.	Warren, Bentley W.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Waterman, Eben C.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Shaw, Charles F.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Smith, Charles S.	White, Franklin B.
Sohier, William D.	Whitney, Edwin
Sprague, Charles F.	Wier, Fred N.
Stearns, William H.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Stevens, William S.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Swallow, George N.	Wilson, William Power
Taft, Henry G.	Withington, Nathan N.
Thomas, Harrison O.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Thompson, Edwin D.	Worcester, Charles F.

Yeas, 71 ; Nays, 124.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Luther, Haile R.*	Messrs. Butler, William M.
Gould, David E.	Herrod, Edward E.*
Prouty, John E. O.*	Barrett, Richard F.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Clapp, James W.*
Ramage, James*	Bucklin, Andrew J.

* Present.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that when a city establishes a board of license commissioners under the provisions of section 28 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, such board shall also have the power to grant innholders' and common victuallers' licenses in such city, under the provisions of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, was further considered. Mr. Hall of Waltham moved to amend by substituting a " Bill relating to the powers of boards of license commissioners." After debate the bill was substituted by a vote of 61 to 47, and

having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth was further considered. After debate, pending the main question on its engrossment, and pending a motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston that the bill be referred to the next General Court, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, at four minutes before two o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, May 4, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

Expenses of
committees of
the General
Court.

A report was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in compliance with Joint Rule No. 3, submitting a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending April 30, 1891, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 506.) Read and placed on file.

Communication Received.

Commissioner
of Corporations,
— bond invest-
ment companies.

A communication was received from the Commissioner of Corporations in response to an order of the Legislature, dated April 23, transmitting a list of the foreign corporations which have filed papers in his office under the provisions of chapter 330 of the Acts of 1884, whose purpose is the payment of bonds in numerical order or otherwise, or sums of money as endowments or benefits. On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the matter was placed on file, and ordered to be printed as a House document. (See House Document No. 508.)

Petitions Presented.

The following petition and remonstrances were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Bond invest-
ment com-
panies.

Petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of H. Keeney and others of Everett, that such laws may be passed as will prevent the so-called "bond investment" companies from doing business in this Commonwealth.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

Remonstrance, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of H. H. Newton and others of Everett, that no laws may be passed which will prevent fraternal beneficiary organizations organized under the laws of other States from continuing their business in this Commonwealth.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of Stephen Salisbury and 20 officers of various national and savings banks and others; of Lee, Higginson & Co., Kidder, Peabody & Co. and 48 others; and by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, of A. W. Chase and 15 other officers of national banks and others, — severally, against the passage of the bill, concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth.

Foreign corporations, — usual place of business.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the management and liability of mercantile agencies, so as to provide: (1) That all mercantile agencies doing business in this State shall hereafter be held responsible to the party injured by all statements not made in good faith and in the exercise of due diligence by said agencies or their agents or servants, regarding or in relation to the financial standing of any persons, firms or corporations; and no information furnished such agencies or statements made by them shall be considered privileged communications; (2) that all such agencies in this Commonwealth shall have an authorized attorney upon whom service may be made; (3) to prevent commercial agencies from carrying on a collection business in connection with the business of such agencies; and (4) that all foreign commercial agencies doing business in this State shall be required to make a deposit of money with the State Treasurer, to guarantee their good faith and responsibility (Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mercantile agencies.

A report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions (in part), on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the State commissions recommending the adoption of the following order: —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and five members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the various commissions of the Commonwealth charged with the administration of State affairs, hear such evidence as may be submitted, after public notice of the time and place of the

State commissions.

committee's meetings, and consider the manner of organization and administration of said commissions; what, if any, changes are advisable or necessary therein; and whether any of the existing commissions can be consolidated with others or can be entirely abolished without detriment to the public interest; and if any of such commissions can be so consolidated or abolished, to consider by whom and in what manner the duties now performed by such commissions, or any of them, shall be hereafter discharged.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Lexington
Water Com-
pany.

A Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply (reported on a petition); and the

Constitutional
amendment, —
quorum of each
branch of Gen-
eral Court.

Resolve providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court (reported on an order, in part);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Management of
boarding-houses
at State normal
schools.

A Bill relating to the management of the boarding-houses at the State normal schools (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Wakefield, —
town meeting.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Wakefield, held on the second day of March of the present year, for the reason that a general bill relating to the subject has been passed.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to assist the town of Truro in maintaining a section of its county highway known as Beach Point Road ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of Truro,
— maintaining
highway.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Murdock Parlor Grate Company ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Murdock Parlor
Grate Company.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Mitchell of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on last Friday, rejected the Bill providing for the compensation of the members of the Legislature. After debate the motion prevailed by a vote of 91 to 33. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, laid upon the table.

Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, the Bill relating to the punishment for drunkenness was taken from the table, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentlemen, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 12, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Fine for drunk-
enness.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston, investing the control of the police of Boston in the mayor of said city, under such regulations as the Legislature may prescribe, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— Board of
Police Commis-
sioners.

On motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 8, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to extend the time within which the city of Boston may pay certain debts was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, being the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered, pending the motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston to refer the bill to the next General Court and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill.

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved that the bill be laid upon the table, which motion was rejected by a vote of 67 to 69.

Mr. Mooney of Boston moved the previous question, which was carried by a vote of 124 to 0.

The motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, referring the bill to the next General Court, was lost.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved that the bill be laid on the table, which was rejected.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Wilson of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 78 yeas to 89 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen

Atkins, Edwin A.

Babson, Fitz J.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bill, Ledyard

Breen, Daniel F.

Brooks, Ethan

Brophy, James L.

Buchholz, Herman

Buckley, William P.

Burke, James F.

Cannon, William

Carpenter, Erastus P.

Carroll, Michael

Carter, Richard A.

Messrs. Chance, Charles J.

Clapp, James W.

Clough, George S.

Corbett, Myron L.

Danforth, John M.

Fales, Nathan H.

Fallon, Thomas F.

Finney, Elkanah

Frazer, Charles A.

Gammons, Benjamin

Gould, David E.

Haggerty, Roger

Hall, Henry C.

Harriman, Charles H.

Heffernan, Edward J.

Messrs. Henderson, Charles W.	Messrs. Mooney, William L.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Hinds, John F.	Murray, Michael J.
Hurley, John T.	Newell, Charles B.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Keliher, Thomas J.	O'Brien, John J.
Kelly, Charles A.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Knowlton, George K.	Pratt, Amasa
Lane, Hiram B.	Prouty, John E. O.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Luby, Patrick B.	Rady, Andrew J.
Lynch, John B.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Reid, James
McAnally, Frank	Savage, Patrick J.
McCarthy, Daniel	Smith, Charles S.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Smith, Elvin L.
McKenna, George B.	Taft, Henry G.
McLean, Isaac	Tilton, Frank B.
McLoughlin, John T.	Tucker, George F.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Waterman, Eben C.
McSolla, Richard F.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Mellen, James H.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Emery, S. Hopkins
Bacheller, Charles M.	Ensign, Charles S.
Baker, Charles H.	Fallon, J. Otis
Barrett, Harry H.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Fletcher, Charles T.
Bingham, Henry T.	Giles, Joseph J.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Handley, Aaron C.
Bright, Elmer H.	Harding, N. Frank
Britton, Henry W.	Hartshorn, James A.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Brown, George H.	Hemenway, Augustus
Butler, William M.	Hodges, William D.
Cannon, Patrick	Howe, Archibald M.
Carpenter, George N.	Howe, Edward C.
Charles, Salem D.	Hunting, Amos
Chester, Dwight	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Clark, Louis M.	Johnson, Henry H.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Kemp, Parker J.
Converse, Morton E.	Keyes, Charles G.
Day, Frederick B.	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Dewey, Henry S.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Dyar, Perlie A.	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Ellis, Edward C.	Lanigan, Andrew M.

Messrs. Lawrence, William B.	Messrs. Salter, John J.
Lord, Lucien	Shaw, Charles F.
Loud, John C.	Sohier, William D.
Luther, Haile R.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Sprague, Charles F.
Meade, William E.	Stevens, William S.
Monk, Hiram A.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Moore, Charles	Swallow, George N.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Mott, Edward	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Oakes, William H.	Tilden, Charles A.
Olmstead, James M.	Turner, Charles W.
Parker, James O.	Turner, Henry E.
Penney, Alonzo	Tuttle, William H. H.
Perkins, George W.	Warren, Bentley W.
Plummer, John M.	Weston, Thomas
Presho, Edward W.	Whitney, Edwin
Quincy, Josiah	Wier, Fred N.
Richardson, Albert W.	Wilson, William Power
Richardson, Arthur C.	Withington, Nathan N.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Wright, William J.
Rosnosky, Isaac	

Yeas, 78 ; Nays, 89.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Rice, William H.*	Messrs. Worcester, Charles F.
Thurston, Lysander	Parkhurst, Wellington E.*
Howard, Timothy*	Howard, S. Edward
Bullard, Henry B.	Fairbanks, John W.*
Ripley, Samuel E.*	Thompson, Edwin D.
Pomeroy, John P.	Lakin, James A.*
Herrod, Edward E.*	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
McFethries, John	White, Franklin B.*
Hinckley, Charles E.	Wheaton, Henry C.*
O'Brien, John	Barrett, Richard F.*
Judd, Myron H.	Howe, S. Augustus*
Gardner, Arthur H.*	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Davis, Squire S.*	Gale, John A.
Edson, Nathan	Kimball, John W.*

* Present.

The Bill to secure the publication of election expenses was taken up. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, at twenty-one minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 5, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting certain documents concerning the gypsy moth, and a petition from the State Board of Agriculture requesting a further appropriation for preventing the spread and securing the extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth. The message was read and with the accompanying papers was referred to the committee on Agriculture, and sent up for concurrence.

Message from
the Governor,—
gypsy moth.

Petition Presented.

Petition, presented by Mr. Day of Boston, of B. T. Wrightington and 47 others, in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex. Placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Subterranean
railways,—
Henry C.
Spaulding.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the Somerville Trust Company (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Somerville
Trust Company.

The House Resolve relating to the dedication of the Bennington battle monument came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended, in line 10, by striking out the word "twenty-five" and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-seven;" and in line 14, by striking out the word "three" and inserting in place thereof the words "the Lieutenant-Governor, the." On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the House concurred in the amendments, under a suspension of the rule, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Dedication of
the Bennington
battle monu-
ment.

State House
loan sinking
fund.

The House Bill making an appropriation for the State House loan sinking fund, 1901, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended as follows: Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert in place thereof the following: "*Section 1.* The sum of seventy thousand and twelve dollars and twenty-three cents is appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the purpose of establishing a sinking fund to be known as the 'State House Loan Sinking Fund, 1901,' as authorized by chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the acts of the present year. *Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The House concurred in the amendment, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Proceedings
and expenses
before trial
justices.

An engrossed Bill relating to proceedings and expenses before trial justices came down for concurrence in an amendment at "A," by striking out the word "May" and inserting in place thereof the word "June." There being no objection, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered, and the House concurred in the amendment, under a suspension of the rules, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Fishing in the
Merrimack
River.

An engrossed Bill relative to fishing in the Merrimack River came down from the Senate with the endorsement: "Returned by His Excellency the Governor, at the request of the Senate. Enactment reconsidered, under a suspension of Senate Rule 51. Bill recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 5th joint rule." The House concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reconsideration.

Foreign cor-
porations.

Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg occupying the chair, Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth. After debate, the motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Barrett moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by striking out the following words: "Except such as are required by existing laws to make returns to the insur-

ance commissioner, to the railroad commissioners, or to the commissioner of foreign mortgage companies;" also in lines 14, 15 and 16 of section 1 strike out the words "the name of each shareholder and the number of shares standing in his name;" also at the end of section 1 insert: "This section shall not apply to railroad companies, nor to mining and manufacturing companies actually conducting their mining and manufacturing operations wholly without the Commonwealth, nor to those foreign corporations which are required to make annual returns to other officers of the Commonwealth than the commissioner of corporations." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Quincy moved to amend by substituting a bill with the same title. Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 12, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of property and franchises of street railway companies.

On motions of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 8, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the management and liability of mercantile agencies, so as to provide: (1) That all mercantile agencies doing business in this State shall hereafter be held responsible to the party injured by all statements not made in good faith and in the exercise of due

Mercantile agencies.

diligence by said agencies or their agents or servants, regarding or in relation to the financial standing of any persons, firms or corporations; and no information furnished such agencies or statements made by them shall be considered privileged communications; (2) that all such agencies in this Commonwealth shall have an authorized attorney upon whom service may be made; (3) to prevent commercial agencies from carrying on a collection business in connection with the business of such agencies; and (4) that all foreign commercial agencies doing business in this State shall be required to make a deposit of money with the State Treasurer, to guarantee their good faith and responsibility, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 13, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Taken from the Table.

Decoration of
soldiers' graves
on Memorial
Day.

On motions of Mr. Weston of Hingham, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic, the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion to be registered and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day, was taken from the table, and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 14, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Eight hours a
day's work.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill constituting eight hours a day's work for State, county, city and town employees was taken from the table, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir dams and mill dams by county commissioners;

To enable the town of Watertown to issue bonds, notes or scrip for sewerage purposes ;

In addition to an act relating to the adulteration of food and drugs ;

To authorize the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates to contract for a supply of water ;

Relative to the hour of opening the polls in elections ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Relating to the employment of minors who cannot read and write in the English language ;

To establish the salaries of the register and assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex ;

Extending the time within which The Charles River Embankment Company may complete certain improvements ;

Providing for the payment of fees in proceedings in poor debtor cases ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law ; and

Concerning the Association for the Protection of Destitute Roman Catholic Children in Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a public park ;

To authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations ;

Providing for the payment of fines collected in prosecution for cruelty to animals ;

To change the harbor lines and provide for the improvement of South Bay in the city of Boston ;

In relation to the deposit of public moneys with certain trust companies ;

To authorize the city of Boston to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

Relating to the district police force ; and

In addition to an act defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to elections and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Lemuel Burr ;

Providing for the payment of supervisors who served in the State election in the city of Boston in the year 1889 ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Primary School at Monson ; and

To provide additional facilities and improvements at the State Normal School in Bridgewater ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of the Woman's Charity Club Hospital (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the total amount of fees received for dog licenses in the city of Boston shall be paid over to the city of Boston, without any deduction whatever therefrom ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation giving the authority to appoint or select the members of commissions to the community paying the salary of such commissioners, or its legally constituted officers ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To enable the city of Boston to construct a bridge connecting the city proper with East Boston ; and

To establish a drainage board for the city of Lynn ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in addition to an act to supply the city of Haverhill with water was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish a commission to promote rapid transit for the city of Boston and its suburbs ;

To give to the probate courts jurisdiction in equity in the administration of the estates of deceased persons ;

Constituting nine hours a day's work for county employees ; and

Relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree ; and the

Resolve providing for the printing of five hundred extra copies of the second report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the sale of candy shells enclosing liquid containing alcohol was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 75 to 49.

The Bill to secure the publication of election expenses was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Hutchinson, of Boston moved to amend as follows: In section 1, line 34, strike out the word "five" and insert in place thereof the word "twenty-five;" also in section 2, lines 11 and 12, strike out the words "or else shall file an individual account as above provided;" also in section 3, line 20, strike out the word "twenty" and insert in place thereof the word "fifty;" also in line 22 of the same section, strike out the word "intent" and insert in place thereof the word "instead;" also in section 4, after the word "payment," insert the words "made by the treasurer of any of the committees, clubs or other organizations described in section one;" also in section 5, lines 6 and 7, strike out the words "or by imprisonment not exceeding one year."

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved that the bill be laid upon the table, which motion was lost by a vote of 77 to 87.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, the amendments moved in sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 were severally rejected by a vote of 36 to 85; the amendment moved to section 5 was also rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 127 to 16.

The Bill to amend chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to reinsurance was further considered, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 8, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill giving authority to the mayor of the city of Boston to make appointments without their being subject to confirmation was read a second time and considered; and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

The Bill authorizing the warden of the State Prison to appoint and remove certain officers was read a second time and considered. Mr. Sohler of Beverly moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to provide for the appointment and removal of members of the board of prison commissioners, the warden and other officers of the State Prison." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, under the rule, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years was read a third time, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Cannon of Lawrence, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

The Bill providing for the printing and distribution of specimen ballots at the public expense at State and city elections was read a third time and considered. Mr. Bill of Paxton moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by inserting after the word "election" the words "or in elections in towns which have adopted the Australian system of voting."

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend by striking out in section 1, lines 7 and 8, the words "copies of such specimen ballots for each polling place" and inserting in place thereof the words "copies of the list of nominees and offices to be filled on the ballots for each polling place, but not printed in imitation of the official ballot."

Mr. Butler of New Bedford moved to amend in section 2, lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "to be mailed in an unsealed post-paid envelope to" and inserting in place thereof the words "to be served by a sheriff or his deputy;" also in section 2, by striking out all of said section after the word "voter" in line 7, to wit: "The registrars of voters shall cause the envelopes required for mailing or delivering these specimen ballots to be addressed

to each voter forthwith upon the placing of the name of such voter upon the voting-list."

Mr. Stevens of Boston moved to amend by striking out sections 1, 2 and 4.

Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved to amend by inserting a new section, as follows: "One week before any election the school teachers in every district shall meet one hour each day to instruct any and all voters, and shall receive twenty-five cents each for such service, this amount to be taken from the dog fund."

These several amendments were severally rejected.

Mr. Turner of Malden moved to add at the end of section 2 the following words: "The expense incurred under this section shall be paid by the cities and towns;" also in sections 3 and 5, after the word "expense" to insert the words "or whoever shall carry a marked ballot into a voting booth when voting is in progress."

These amendments were severally adopted.

On the main question on the engrossment of the bill the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 88 yeas to 108 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Appleton, Francis H.
Barrett, Harry H.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Boodey, Charles H.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Coffey, John H.

Messrs. Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fallon, J. Otis
Fallon, Thomas F.
Golding, John
Haggerty, Roger
Hall, Henry C.
Handley, Aaron C.
Harding, N. Frank
Harriman, Charles H.
Hemenway, Augustus
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Howard, Timothy
Howe, Archibald M.
Hurley, John T.
Judd, Myron H.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Keyes, Charles G.
Kilmer, Frederick M.
Knowlton, George K.

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Messrs. Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Messrs. Quincy, Josiah
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Rady, Andrew J.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Luby, Patrick B.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Lynch, John B.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Ripley, Samuel E.
McAnally, Frank	Salter, John J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Savage, Patrick J.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Smith, Elvin L.
McKenna, George B.	Sohier, William D.
McLean, Isaac	Sparhawk, Henry C.
McLoughlin, John T.	Sprague, Charles F.
• Mellen, James H.	Stevens, William S.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Mooney, William L.	Thurston, Lysander
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Tilden, Charles A.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Turner, Charles W.
O'Brien, John	Turner, Henry E.
O'Brien, John J.	Warren, Bentley W.
Olmstead, James M.	White, Franklin B.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Wilson, William Power

NAYS.

Messrs. Babson, Fitz J.	Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Dickinson, Henry S.
Baker, Charles H.	Dyar, Perlle A.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Edson, Nathan
Bennett, Frank P.	Fairbanks, John W.
Bill, Ledyard	Fales, Nathan H.
Bingham, Henry T.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Fears, Isaac P.
Brooks, Ethan	Finney, Elkanah
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Fletcher, Charles T.
Bullard, Henry B.	Gammons, Benjamin
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Gardner, Arthur H.
Butler, William M.	Giles, Joseph J.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Goddard, Edward A.
Carpenter, George N.	Greene, Edward W.
Child, Daniel R.	Hartshorn, James A.
Clapp, James W.	Henderson, Charles W.
Clark, Louis M.	Hickox, Stephen A.
Clough, George S.	Hinds, John F.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Hodges, William D.
Converse, Morton E.	Horton, Everett S.
Corbett, Myron L.	Howe, Edward C.
Curtis, Francis C.	Howe, S. Augustus
Danforth, John M.	Hunting, Amos
Davis, Squire S.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Day, Frederick B.	Jenkins, Robert B.

Messrs. Johnson, Henry H.

Kemp, Parker J.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Knox, James W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lord, Lucien
 Luther, Haile R.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 Meade, William E.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Oakes, William H.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.

Messrs. Plummer, John M.

Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Ramage, James
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Stearns, William H.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Tucker, George F.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Weston, Thomas
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Wright, William J.

Yeas, 88 ; Nays, 108.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.

Messrs. McDonald, Peter J.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Heffernan, Edward J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Williams, Hezekiah W.*
 Sawyer, Samuel L.*
 Wheaton, Henry C.*

* Present.

The Bill providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Sprague of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by striking out the words "are hereby directed" and inserting in place thereof the words "whenever the towns of Wareham and Bourne, by vote of a majority of

the legal voters of each of said towns present and voting at town meetings duly called for the purpose, request them so to do, are hereby authorized," which amendment was rejected. Mr. Stevens of Boston moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 12. The motion was lost, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted in the House.

The Bill to prohibit the issuing of certain obligations was read a third time and considered. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend in section 5, line 2, by striking out the word "or," and inserting after the word "fire" the words "or marine;" also by adding at the end of the section the words "nor to any fraternal beneficiary corporation, association or society now lawfully transacting business in this Commonwealth and now reporting to the insurance department." The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for the gratuitous distribution of the atlas map of Massachusetts to certain departments and persons was read a third time and considered. Mr. Ensign of Watertown moved to amend in line 10 by inserting after the word "public" the words "and historical."

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend in line 11 by inserting after the word "court" the words "for the year 1891."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

The Bill to amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston was read a third time and considered. Mr. Hutchinson of Boston moved to amend in section 1, lines 6 and 7, by striking out the words "by a majority vote of the members and;" also in lines 24 and 25 of section 1, by striking out the words "or such less sum as the said board may determine;" also in lines 29 and 30 of the same section, by striking out the words "or such less sum as the board may determine."

The amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the employment of prisoners was read a second time and considered. Mr. Anderson of Cambridge moved to amend, in line 4, by inserting after the word "two" the words "hundred and;" also in lines 5 and 6, by striking out the words "and inserting in place thereof the word 'one,' and by striking out the words 'and fifty' in the same line;" also in line 24, by striking out the words "one hundred" and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty." Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

At a quarter before five o'clock, under the rule, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 6, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrance Presented.

Taxation of
property and
franchisees of
street railway
companies.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Wilson of Boston, of Francis A. Osborn and 119 others, against the Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, —

Committee on
Rules,—reports
of House
committees.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending House Rule No. 32 by striking out the words "that day," at the end of said rule, and inserting in place thereof the words "the second Wednesday in March," so that said rule as amended shall read as follows: "32. On or before the fourth Wednesday in March, committees shall make final report upon matters referred to them prior to the second Wednesday in March."

The following order, offered by Mr. Dewey of Boston, was adopted and sent up for concurrence: —

Committee on
Rules,—time
for reports of
joint com-
mittees.

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending joint rule numbered ten by the substitution of a new rule to be numbered ten, and to read as follows: "Rule 10. On or before the fourth Wednesday in March, joint committees shall make final report upon all matters referred to them prior to the second Wednesday in March. All matters upon which no report has then been made under this rule shall be reported, on or before the following Monday, by the chairman of the committee on the part of the branch in which they were respectively introduced, with a recommendation of reference to the next General Court under this rule."

*Papers from the Senate.***Bills :**

To incorporate the trustees of public reservations ;

Relative to affidavits in poor debtor cases ; and

To authorize the town of Holden to appropriate money for the purpose of celebrating the 150th anniversary of its incorporation ;

Trustees of public reservations.

Affidavits in poor debtor cases.

Town of Holden.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (reported on a message from His Excellency the Governor, relating to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, and on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

World's Columbian Exposition.

The House Bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in town offices came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Vacancies in town offices.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) relating to fees to be paid in the district and municipal courts in the city of Boston came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston, — fees in district and municipal courts.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill to establish the Massachusetts Official Gazette. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ensign of Watertown.

Massachusetts Official Gazette.

On further motion of the same gentleman the bill was ordered to be printed as a House document.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle

Tuberculosis in food products of cattle.

ought not to pass. (Mr. Rideout of Cambridge dissenting.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

**Sureties on
bonds of trustees.**

By Mr. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the House Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes in regard to sureties on bonds of trustees. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

American Oriental Society.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the American Oriental Society to hold its meetings in any State or territory of the United States and in the District of Columbia. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of Holden, — 150th anniversary.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the town of Holden to appropriate money for the purpose of celebrating the 150th anniversary of its incorporation ought to pass. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Dewey, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Reconsideration.

**Abolition of
grade crossings.**

Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings was ordered to a third reading. After debate, the motion was carried by a vote of 74 to 66. On the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 89 yeas to 77 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Babson, Fitz J.
Barrett, Harry H.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bill, Ledyard

Messrs. Boodey, Charles H.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brophy, James L.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.

Messrs. Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carpenter, George N.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Chance, Charles J.
Chester, Dwight
Child, Daniel R.
Clough, George S.
Coffey, John H.
Davis, Squire S.
Day, Frederick B.
Edson, Nathan
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fales, Nathan H.
Fallon, Thomas F.
Finney, Elkanah
Golding, John
Gould, David E.
Haggerty, Roger
Harding, N. Frank
Harriman, Charles H.
Henderson, Charles W.
Herrod, Edward E.
Howard, Timothy
Howe, Archibald M.
Hunting, Amos
Hurley, John T.
Judd, Myron H.
Kemp, Parker J.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Knox, James W.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lakin, James A.
Lomasney, Joseph P.
Loud, John C.
Luby, Patrick B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McFarland, Herbert A.

Messrs. McKenna, George B.
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
McSolla, Richard F.
Mellen, James H.
Mitchell, Michael J.
Monk, Hiram A.
Mooney, William L.
Moreau, Louis E. P.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Nutting, Arthur F.
O'Brien, John J.
O'Neil, Eugene J.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Peterson, Benjamin F.
Quincy, Josiah
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rafferty, Patrick H.
Reid, James
Rice, William H.
Richardson, Albert W.
Rideout, Malcolm E.
Rosnosky, Isaac
Savage, Patrick J.
Smith, Elvin L.
Stearns, William H.
Swallow, George N.
Taft, Henry G.
Tilden, Charles A.
Tilton, Frank B.
Tucker, George F.
Turner, Charles W.
Warren, Bentley W.
Wetherell, Barney T.
Wheaton, Henry C.
White, Franklin B.
Whitney, Edwin
Withington, Nathan N.
Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bacheller, Charles M.	Britton, Henry W.
Baker, Charles H.	Brock, Lemuel M.
Barrett, Richard F.	Brown, George H.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Bullard, Henry B.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Butler, William M.
Bingham, Henry T.	Charles, Salem D.

Messrs. Clark, Hiram E. W.	Messrs. Lord, Lucien
Coburn, Clarence G.	Luther, Haile R.
Curtis, Francis C.	Marston, Dudley J.
Danforth, John M.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Dewey, Henry S.	McAnally, Frank
Dyar, Perlle A.	Meade, William E.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Moore, Charles
Fairbanks, John W.	Murray, Michael J.
Ferren, Myron J.	Newell, Charles B.
Fears, Isaac P.	Parker, James O.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Penney, Alonzo
Gale, John A.	Perkins, George W.
Giles, Joseph J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Prouty, John E. O.
Greene, Edward W.	Ramage, James
Handley, Aaron C.	Read, Franklin F.
Hartshorn, James A.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Hinds, John F.	Salter, John J.
Howe, Edward C.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Howe, S. Augustus	Shaw, Charles F.
Johnson, Henry H.	Sohier, William D.
Kelly, Charles A.	Sprague, Charles F.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Thurston, Lysander
Kimball, John W.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Knowlton, George K.	Turner, Henry E.
Lane, Howard G.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Langdon, Henry W.	Weston, Thomas
Lawrence, William B.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Leslie, Horace G.	Wright, William J.
Lewis, James A.	

Yeas, 89 ; Nays, 77.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Hutchinson, Isaac P.*	Messrs. Keyes, Charles G.
Thomas, Harrison O.*	Mott, Edward
Gardner, Arthur H.	Carpenter, Erastus P.*
Presho, Edward W.*	Wilson, William Power
Clark, Louis M.	Stevens, William S.*

* Present.

Elevated rail-
ways, — rapid
transit commis-
sion.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the House passed to be engrossed

the Bill to establish a commission to promote rapid transit for the city of Boston and its suburbs. After debate, the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Day of Boston, the Bill to extend the time within which the city of Boston may pay certain debts was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

City of Boston,
— payment of
debts.

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 130 to 19, and considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Willimansett
bridge.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill to prevent the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the main question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 11, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Manufacture
and sale of
clothing made
in unhealthy
places.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, the Bill in relation to the water supply of the city of Haverhill (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Haverhill water
supply.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the care of ballot-boxes and furnishing of election blanks and instructions by the Secretary of the Commonwealth ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Gloucester to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town ;

Relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay ; and

To provide a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Easthampton (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve for the protection of the town of West Springfield against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the day.

To assist the town of Truro in maintaining a section of its county highway known as Beach Point Road ; and

To incorporate the Somerville Trust Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the employment of prisoners, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, were adopted by a vote of 80 to 63, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 80 to 74.

The Bill relating to the departments of the city of Boston and the officers and boards in charge thereof was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to regulate the procedure by and before commissions or commissioners established under the laws of this Commonwealth was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend in section 1, line 12, by striking out the word "may" and inserting in place thereof the word "shall;" also in line 13 of the same section by striking out the word "if" and inserting in place thereof the word "unless."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

At a quarter before five o'clock, under the rule, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 7, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse of Sherborn, Chaplain of the Senate.

Petitions Presented.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of C. B. Lyman and others of Southampton, George H. Harriman and others of Groveland, George F. Dana and others of North Attleborough, of D. W. Howell and others of Oxford, and of Samuel Wheeler and others, — severally, for the passage of a law providing for the assessment of the taxable personal property of persons refusing to bring in sworn lists at double the assessors' estimate thereof.

Assessment of taxable personal property.

Severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, of I. P. Hutchinson for legislation relative to mileage tickets on railroads, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Railroads, — mileage tickets.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston (reported, in part, on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston, — term of office of the mayor.

The House Bill relating to the custody of city and town records and official papers came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Custody of city and town records.

Taken from the Table.

Probation
officers in cities.

On motions of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the appointment of probation officers in cities mandatory, and of prohibiting the appointment of police officials as probation officers, was taken from the table and accepted.

On motions of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the following reports were taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow : —

Reports :

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw (with the consent of the petitioners) :

Elevated
railroads, —
Frank A.
Bartholomew.

On the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad to be called the Boston Elevated Railway ;

Elevated
railroads, —
William B.
Mack.

On the petition of William B. Mack and others, for an act of incorporation with authority to use the Mack or any other system of elevated railroads in and around Boston ;

Elevated
railroads, —
Reynolds T.
White.

On the petition of Reynolds T. White, for authority to build, equip, maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston ; and

Subterranean
railways in
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, and sundry petitions in aid of the same.

Deposits in
savings banks.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank, Mechanics' Savings Bank and People's Savings Bank for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendment in respect to the division of net profits of savings banks, was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 14, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

American
Oriental
Society.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Cambridge, the Bill to authorize the American Oriental Society to hold its meetings in any State or territory of the United States and in

the District of Columbia was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was ordered to a third reading.

City of Boston,
— public parks.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court were read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the
day.

The Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish a drainage board for the city of Lynn ;
and

To incorporate the Somerville Trust Company ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to assist the town of Truro in maintaining a section of its county highway known as Beach Point Road was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes, in regard to sureties on bonds of trustees, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to regulate the procedure by and before commissions or commissioners established under the laws of this Commonwealth, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ferren

of Stoneham, the pending amendment moved by Mr. Turner of Malden was rejected. At the request of Mr. Charles of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 81 yeas to 108 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.	Messrs.
Barrett, Harry H.	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Bennett, Frank P.	Leslie, Horace G.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Boodey, Charles H.	Luby, Patrick B.
Breen, Daniel F.	Lynch, John B.
Bright, Elmer H.	McAnally, Frank
Brock, Lemuel M.	McCarthy, Daniel
Brophy, James L.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Brown, George H.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Buchholz, Herman	McKenna, George B.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	McLoughlin, John T.
Burke, James F.	Mellen, James H.
Cannon, William	Mitchell, Michael J.
Carroll, Michael	Mooney, William L.
Carter, James H.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Carter, Richard A.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Charles, Salem D.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Clapp, James W.	O'Brien, John
Coffey, John H.	O'Brien, John J.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Davis, Squire S.	Parker, James O.
Ellis, Edward C.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Ensign, Charles S.	Quincy, Josiah
Ferren, Myron J.	Rady, Andrew J.
Finney, Elkanah	Ramage, James
Gale, John A.	Reid, James
Gardner, Arthur H.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Golding, John	Ripley, Samuel E.
Gould, David E.	Savage, Patrick J.
Handley, Aaron C.	Smith, Charles S.
Harriman, Charles H.	Smith, Elvin L.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Herrod, Edward E.	Stearns, William H.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hobson, Charles H.	Tilton, Frank B.
Hurley, John T.	Turner, Charles W.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Warren, Bentley W.
Johnson, Henry H.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Judd, Myron H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Worcester, Charles F.
Knox, James W.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Kilmer, Frederick M.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Kimball, John W.
Baker, Charles H.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Barrett, Richard F.	Knowlton, George K.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Lakin, James A.
Bill, Ledyard	Lane, Hiram B.
Bingham, Henry T.	Lane, Howard G.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Langdon, Henry W.
Brooks, Ethan	Lawrence, William B.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Lewis, James A.
Cannon, Patrick	Longley, Henry C.
Carpenter, George N.	Lord, Lucien
Chester, Dwight	Luther, Haile R.
Child, Daniel R.	Marston, Dudley J.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	McFarland, Herbert A.
Clark, Louis M.	McFethries, John
Clough, George S.	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Converse, Morton E.	Meade, William E.
Curtis, Francis C.	Monk, Hiram A.
Danforth, John M.	Moore, Charles
Dewey, Henry S.	Murray, Michael J.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Newell, Charles B.
Edson, Nathan	Oakes, William H.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Olmstead, James M.
Fairbanks, John W.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Fales, Nathan H.	Penney, Alonzo
Fears, Isaac P.	Perkins, George W.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Flood, Nathan B.	Pratt, Amasa
Gammons, Benjamin	Presho, Edward W.
Giles, Joseph J.	Prouty, John E. O.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Read, Franklin F.
Goddard, Edward A.	Rice, William H.
Greene, Edward W.	Richardson, Albert W.
Harding, N. Frank	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hartshorn, James A.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Salter, John J.
Henderson, Charles W.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hinds, John F.	Shaw, Charles F.
Hodges, William D.	Sohier, William D.
Horton, Everett S.	Sprague, Charles F.
Howard, S. Edward	Stevens, William S.
Howe, S. Augustus	Swallow, George N.
Hunting, Amos	Taft, Henry G.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Kelly, Charles A.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.

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Messrs. Tucker, George F.	Messrs. White, Franklin B.
Turner, Henry E.	Whitney, Edwin
Tuttle, William H. H.	Wier, Fred N.
Wardwell, J. Otis	Wilder, Aaron O.
Waterman, Eben C.	Wilson, William Power
Weston, Thomas	Withington, Nathan N.
Wheaton, Henry C.	Wright, William J.
Yeas, 81 ; Nays, 108.	

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Buckley, William P.*	Messrs. Dickinson, Henry S.
Thurston, Lysander*	Carpenter, Erastus P.
Anderson, Stephen*	Mott, Edward
Howard, Timothy*	Day, Frederick B.

* Present.

The Bill to authorize the board of aldermen of the city of Salem to regulate the maintenance and use of poles within the limits of the streets of said city was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 24 to 109.

The Bill relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Wheaton of Worcester moved to amend in section 2, lines 7 and 9, by striking out the word "secretary" in each line, and inserting in place thereof the words "tax commissioner," which amendments were adopted. An amendment moved by Mr. Gale of Haverhill, to strike out section 2, was rejected, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 100 to 38.

The Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the House, —

At a quarter before five o'clock, under the rule, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 8, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Petitions, presented by Mr. Edson of Barnstable, of Fred W. Wheeler and others, George B. Sims and others, George W. Fitch and others of Amherst, C. M. Pease and others of Wilbraham, George E. Fay and others of Framingham, William H. Prince and others of Dudley, C. H. Strong and others of Huntington, H. T. Haynes and others of Bolton, Otis Pratt and others of Halifax, Otis Littlejohn and others of Rowe,—severally, for the passage of a law providing for the assessment of the taxable personal property of persons refusing to bring in sworn lists at double the assessors' estimate thereof.

Taxable personal property,
— double assessment.

A petition, presented by the same gentleman, of J. F. Knight and others of West Boylston, in aid of the petition that personal property may be compelled to bear its just share of the burdens of taxation, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Tax on personal property.

A petition, presented by Mr. Horton of North Attleborough, of H. M. Daggett, Jr., and other citizens of Attleborough and North Attleborough, constituting a committee of the Interstate Street Railway Company, a corporation organized under the laws of Rhode Island, for leave to extend its tracks and wires into this Commonwealth, and transmitting the approval of the selectmen of the towns into which it is proposed to extend said tracks, and a waiver of notice of hearings, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th and 12th joint rules. On motion of Mr. Horton, the 9th and 12th joint rules were suspended,

Interstate Street
Railway Com-
pany of Rhode
Island,— exten-
sion of tracks
and wires into
Massachusetts.

and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the 9th and 12th joint rules and in the reference.

City of Chelsea,
— refunding its
funded debt.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, of the mayor of Chelsea, for an amendment of chapter 248 of the Acts of 1891, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kittredge, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Algonquin Club.

A petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of Frederic W. Bliss, for legislation in relation to enforcing the right of the Commonwealth to compel the Algonquin Club to alter the front of its club house, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Quincy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

Commissioner
of Corporations,
— clerical assist-
ance.

The House Bill to amend chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to salaries in the office of the Commissioner of Corporations, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, and with an amendment to the title, so that it read "Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations," in which amendments the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Discharge of
sewage, chemi-
cals or waste
products into
great ponds or
streams.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Resolve relative to the discharge of sewage, chemicals or waste products injurious to the public health into the great ponds or streams of this Commonwealth.

Report of a Committee.

Board of Con-
trol of the State
Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

By Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the eighth annual report of the Board of Control of the State

Agricultural Experiment Station. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Brooks, and sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Stearns of Salem moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the House refused to order to a third reading the Bill to authorize the board of aldermen of the city of Salem to regulate the maintenance and use of poles within the limits of the streets of said city. After debate, the motion was lost.

City of Salem,
— maintenance
of poles in the
streets.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the Bill to amend an act to establish a Board of Registration in Pharmacy was taken from the table. Pending amendments moved by Mr. Stevens, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court, and notice was sent to the Senate.

State Board of
Registration in
Pharmacy.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, the Bill to restrict the height of buildings in cities was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Meade, in section 1, line 2, by inserting after the word "height" the words "above the grade of the street," and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Height of build-
ings in cities.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill relating to the departments of the city of Boston and the officers and boards in charge thereof was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was suspended.

City of Boston,
— departments
and officers in
charge thereof.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a

City of Boston,
— public parks.

third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was suspended.

Subterranean
railways, —
Henry C.
Spaulding.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, and sundry petitions in aid of the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 14, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston ;

To authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside its debt limit for the purpose of completing the new public library building ; and

Making an appropriation for the State House loan sinking fund, 1901 ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To extend the time within which the city of Boston may pay certain debts ;

To authorize the town of Holden to appropriate money for the purpose of celebrating the 150th anniversary of its incorporation ;

To supply the town of Methuen with water ;

To provide for the appointment of probation officers ;

To regulate the sale of candy shells enclosing liquid containing alcohol ; and

Relating to the fees and expenses in proceedings before trial justices ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Relating to the dedication of the Bennington battle monument ;

To provide for certain changes in the Normal Art School building ; and

To provide for certain repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, with the consent of the petitioners, on the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad to be called the Boston Elevated Railway ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, with the consent of the petitioners, on the petition of William B. Mack and others, for an act of incorporation with authority to use the Mack or any other system of elevated railroads in and around Boston ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, with the consent of the petitioners, on the petition of Reynolds T. White, for authority to build, equip, maintain and operate an elevated railroad in the city of Boston ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Giles of Somerville, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 107 to 59.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Hutchinson of Boston moved to amend in section 18, lines 10 and 11, by striking out the words "May twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and ninety," and inserting in place thereof the words "May first, eighteen hundred and ninety-one."

Mr. Lomasney of Boston moved to amend as follows : Strike out section 8 and insert in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 8, as follows : —

"Section 8. Any corporation organized under chapter 429, Acts of 1888, as amended by chapter 341, Acts of 1890, which has provided in its constitution or laws for

the payment of a benefit to a member or his family at the end of a fixed period of time, not contingent upon the death of the member, shall discontinue such payments. All corporations organized under chapter 429, Acts of 1888, as amended by chapter 341, all foreign corporations, and all companies or persons are prohibited from issuing certificates which are by the terms thereof payable in a fixed period of time, and contingent upon the collection of assessments from the holders thereof. All corporations organized under chapter 429, Acts of 1888, as amended by chapter 341, Acts of 1890, which have issued such certificates or obligations payable at a fixed period of time, shall within thirty days of the passage of this act file at the office of the insurance commissioner a complete report of such certificates or obligations as are then outstanding, together with the number and amount of the assessments collected upon each; also shall deposit with the treasurer of the Commonwealth the full amount of money collected by assessments with the names and addresses of the members who have contributed the same. Ten per cent. of the money so deposited, including proceeds of securities previously deposited, shall be turned into the public treasury to cover the expenses of settlement and the remainder shall be distributed *pro rata* to the members shown by the reports aforesaid to have contributed the money. It is hereby made the duty of the insurance commissioner to supervise the collection from the corporations and distributions to the members of the funds herein described, and the treasurer shall pay only upon warrants issued by the insurance commissioner." In section 9, strike out the words in the third line, "which does not pay a benefit;" also, the whole of the fourth line, and in the fifth line the words "period of time." In section 11, in the fourth line, strike out the word "herein," and insert after the word "defined" the words "in sections nine and ten of this act." In section 16, in the fourth line, strike out the word "herein," and insert after the word "defined" the words "in sections nine and ten of this act."

Also strike out sections 18 and 19.

Point of order.

Mr. Lakin of Westfield raised the point of order that the amendments moved by Mr. Lomasney were broader than the scope of the orders on which the bill was based, inasmuch as the orders contemplated only a modification of the law, while the amendments, if adopted, would

practically annul all the charters of the fifty-six associations organized under the laws of this State.

The Chair (Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill) declared the point of order well taken, and the amendments were ruled out.

Mr. Lomasney further moved to amend in section 10, lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "three assessments per year" and inserting in place thereof the words "two assessments of two dollars each or four dollars per year."

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend by the addition of a new section, to be numbered section 25, as follows:—

"*Section 25.* No subordinate lodges or branches of any description shall hereafter be organized by any corporation transacting the business of a so-called 'endowment society,' defined in section eight of chapter four hundred and twenty-nine of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, as amended by subsequent acts."

Mr. Lakin of Westfield raised the point of order that the amendment was not germane to the bill under consideration, and was beyond the scope of the orders on which the bill was reported. Pending the question of order, the House, — Point of order.

On motion of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, by a vote of 97 to 61, at twenty-five minutes before two o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, May 11, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrance Presented.

Foreign
endowment
associations.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Gale of Haverhill, of Franklin H. Allen and 143 other voters and residents of Haverhill, against any legislation detrimental to foreign co-operative endowment associations now doing business in this Commonwealth, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Division of
cities into
wards.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the Constitution so as to allow a new division of cities into wards after the taking of the decennial State census and upon the basis of the figures of such census ; and

Intoxicating
liquors, —
objections of
abutters.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing that provision of section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of the granting of liquor licenses, which provides that no license to sell intoxicating liquor shall be granted when the owner of any real estate within twenty-five feet of the premises described in the application for a license interposes an objection thereto (Mr. Donovan of the Senate, and Mr. Hurley of Fall River, of the House, dissenting) ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity (substituted, in the Senate, for the report of the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to municipal lighting and on an order and sundry petitions) ; and

Municipal lighting.

In relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors (substituted, in the Senate, for the House "Bill to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor by persons holding licenses of the first, second and third classes to others than guests who have resorted to their premises for food or lodging") ;

Intoxicating liquors, — "public bar."

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Marlborough to fill vacancies in its sewerage construction committee ; and

City of Marlborough, charter of.

To provide for the better representation of the leading political parties on boards of registrars of voters ;

Boards of registrars of voters.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to provide for the appointment of the Charles River Improvement Commission (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Charles River Improvement Commission.

The House Bill to amend sections 9 and 10 of chapter 205 of the Public Statutes, relating to offences against public justice, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment to the title, so that it read "An act relative to the bribery of certain public officers," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bribery of public officers.

The House Bill to prevent false representations to overseers of the poor and the State Board of Lunacy and Charity came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

State Board of Lunacy and Charity, — overseers of the poor.

Reports of Committees.

Town of Richmond, — town meeting.

By Mr. Tuttle of Arlington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to ratify certain proceedings of the town of Richmond.

Official stenographers for the Superior Court.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) defining the duties of the official stenographer of the Superior Court for Essex County ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill in relation to the duties of official stenographers for the Superior Court."

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, for the Carney Hospital, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Sentences in criminal cases in the Superior Court.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize sentence in criminal cases in the Superior Court where an appeal appears frivolous ought to pass.

Town of Belchertown, — town meeting.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown ought to pass.

Probate courts, — guardianship of minor children.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill authorizing the probate court to compel parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship ought to pass.

Trustees of Public Reservations.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to incorporate the Trustees of Public Reservations ought to pass.

Regimental histories.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories ought to pass. (Mr. Hemenway of Canton, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Boston fire department.

On motions of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities; leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Isaac A. Williams and others for legislation pro-

viding that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston fire department was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 15, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 13, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to a bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and considered. Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend as follows: In section 1 by inserting in line 39, after the word "Willimansett," the word "either;" also in line 45, after the word "company," the words "or from a point on Main Street in said Holyoke near its intersection with South Street to such a point in said Chicopee on the road from Willimansett to Chicopee as they shall deem best;" also strike out section 2 and insert in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Section 2.* The determination between the two aforesaid alternative locations shall be made by the legal voters of Holyoke at an election which shall be held on the second Tuesday of June, 1891, when there shall be submitted to them the question: 'Shall the proposed bridge be located near Cabot Street or near South Street,' to which the answer shall be 'Cabot Street,' or 'South Street,' and immediately after the result of the voting is determined the county commissioners shall proceed to locate and build the highway and bridge at the location favored by a majority of the voters."

Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee raised the point of order that the amendment was beyond the scope of the petition, inasmuch as it did not set forth that either the city of

Chicopee or Holyoke asked permission to have an election upon the subject.

Ruling of the
Chair.

The Chair ruled that the legislation contemplated by the amendment did not add to nor take away from the merits of the legislation contemplated in the bill in either its quantity or quality; that it was merely incidental to the legislation desired by the petitioners, and ruled that it was within the scope of the petition, and therefore declared the point of order not well taken.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The Bill to prevent the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, being the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered, the main question being on its engrossment. On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, it was voted that debate be closed at four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to five minutes each.

Mr. Parker of Methuen moved to amend in section 18, lines 8 and 9, by striking out the words "and its constitution or laws filed with the insurance commissioner of the Commonwealth;" also in lines 13, 14, 15 and 16 of the same section, by striking out the words "which filed its constitution or laws as aforesaid, prior to the first day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, and in said" and inserting in place thereof the words "shall in their;" also in line 17 of the same section, by striking out the word "provided" and inserting in place thereof the word "provide;" also in line 20 of the same section, by striking out the words "a fixed period of time" and inserting in place thereof the words "fixed periods of time, and."

After debate the amendments were rejected by a vote of 55 to 93.

Mr. Knowlton of Hamilton moved to insert a new section, as follows: "No corporation transacting the business defined in section eight of issuing certificates promising a payment to a member or his family at the end of a fixed period of time shall hereafter make any such contracts or issue such certificates."

Mr. Lakin of Westfield raised the point of order that the amendment was broader than the scope of the orders on which the bill was based. The Chair ruled that the orders on which the bill was reported did not contemplate the cessation of business by the corporations referred to, but merely the regulation of the same, and therefore declared the point of order well taken, and the amendment was ruled out. Point of order.

On the question of order raised on Friday last, by Mr. Lakin of Westfield, to the pending amendment moved by Mr. Bennett of Everett, to add a new section to be numbered section 25, the Speaker ruled that a subsequent matter in the calendar, being a report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order, covered the very matter treated upon in the section proposed in the amendment, and that the orders upon which the bill was reported made no reference to the subject-matter of legislation contained in the proposed amendment, and therefore declared the point of order well taken.

Mr. Lakin of Westfield raised the further point of order that the pending amendment moved by Mr. Lomasney of Boston was broader than the scope of the orders on which the bill was reported. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

On the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Chance of Boston, and the roll being called, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 91 yeas to 95 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Bacheller, Charles M.
Baker, Charles H.
Barrett, Harry H.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.

Messrs. Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.
Buchholz, Herman
Burke, James F.
Butler, William M.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Carter, James H.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.	Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.
Chance, Charles J.	McLean, Isaac
Charles, Salem D.	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Clapp, James W.	McSolla, Richard F.
Coffey, John H.	Meade, William E.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Mellen, James H.
Danforth, John M.	Mooney, William L.
Davis, Squire S.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Oakes, William H.
Fallon, J. Otis	O'Brien, John
Fallon, Thomas F.	O'Brien, John J.
Ferren, Myron J.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Goddard, Edward A.	Parker, James O.
Golding, John	Penney, Alonzo
Gould, David E.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Haggerty, Roger	Plummer, John M.
Harriman, Charles H.	Pratt, Amasa
Heffernan, Edward J.	Presho, Edward W.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Quincy, Josiah
Henderson, Charles W.	Rady, Andrew J.
Herrod, Edward E.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Richardson, Albert W.
Howe, S. Augustus	Richardson, Arthur C.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Johnson, Henry H.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Salter, John J.
Kelly, Charles A.	Smith, Elvin L.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Lane, Howard G.	Swallow, George N.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Luby, Patrick B.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Luther, Haile R.	Tilton, Frank B.
Lynch, John B.	Warren, Bentley W.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Wetherell, Barney T.
McAnally, Frank	Wier, Fred N.
McCarthy, Daniel	Woodsum, B. Herbert
McEnaney, Thomas O.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Bullock, Walter J. D.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Carpenter, George N.
Babson, Fitz J.	Carroll, Michael
Barrett, Richard F.	Chester, Dwight
Bartlett, Robert G.	Clark, Louis M.
Bennett, Frank P.	Clough, George S.
Bingham, Henry T.	Coburn, Clarence G.
Brooks, Ethan	Converse, Morton E.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Day, Frederick B.
Bullard, Henry B.	Dewey, Henry S.

Messrs. Dickinson, Henry S.
Edson, Nathan
Ellis, Edward C.
Emery, S. Hopkins
Ensign, Charles S.
Fairbanks, John W.
Fales, Nathan H.
Finney, Elkanah
Fletcher, Charles T.
Gale, John A.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Giles, Joseph J.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Greene, Edward W.
Handley, Aaron C.
Harding, N. Frank
Hartshorn, James A.
Hemenway, Augustus
Hinds, John F.
Howard, Timothy
Howe, Archibald M.
Howe, Edward C.
Hunting, Amos
Jenkins, Robert B.
Kilmer, Frederick M.
Kimball, John W.
Kirby, Albert C.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Knowlton, George K.
Knox, James W.
Lakin, James A.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lawrence, William B.
Leslie, Horace G.
Lomasney, Joseph P.
Longley, Henry C.
Loud, John C.
Marston, Dudley J.

Messrs. Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McDonald, Peter J.
McKenna, George B.
McLoughlin, John T.
Monk, Hiram A.
Moore, Charles
Moreau, Louis E. P.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Murray, Michael J.
Newell, Charles B.
Olmstead, James M.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Perkins, George W.
Pickering, Benjamin P.
Powers, Wilbur H.
Prouty, John E. O.
Quinn, Patrick J.
Reid, James
Rice, William H.
Rosnosky, Isaac
Sawyer, Samuel L.
Smith, Charles S.
Sohier, William D.
Stearns, William H.
Stevens, William S.
Taft, Henry G.
Thompson, Edwin D.
Tilden, Charles A.
Turner, Charles W.
Tuttle, William H. H.
Wardwell, J. Otis
Waterman, Eben C.
Weston, Thomas
White, Franklin B.
Wilder, Aaron O.
Withington, Nathan N.
Wright, William J.

Yeas, 91 ; Nays, 95.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hurley, John T.*
Mitchell, Michael J.*
Frazer, Charles A.*
Buckley, William P.*
Judd, Myron H.*

Messrs. Thurston, Lysander
Turner, Henry E.
McFarland, Herbert A.
Tucker, George F.
Clark, Hiram E. W.

* Present.

On the main question on the engrossment of the bill the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Parker of Methuen, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 115 yeas to 63 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.	Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs.	Hemenway, Augustus
	Atkins, Edwin A.		Herrod, Edward E.
	Babson, Fitz J.		Hevey, Thomas D.
	Barrett, Richard F.		Hinds, John F.
	Bennett, Frank P.		Howard, Timothy
	Bingham, Henry T.		Howe, Archibald M.
	Breen, Daniel F.		Howe, Edward C.
	Buchholz, Herman		Howe, S. Augustus
	Bucklin, Andrew J.		Hunting, Amos
	Bullard, Henry B.		Hurley, John T.
	Bullock, Walter J. D.		Judd, Myron H.
	Butler, William M.		Keliber, Thomas J.
	Capen, Robert P.		Kilmer, Frederick M.
	Carpenter, George N.		Kimball, John W.
	Carroll, Michael		Kirby, Albert C.
	Carter, James H.		Kittredge, Francis W.
	Chester, Dwight		Knowlton, George K.
	Clapp, James W.		Knox, James W.
	Clark, Louis M.		Ladd, Nathaniel W.
	Clough, George S.		Lakin, James A.
	Coburn, Clarence G.		Lane, Hiram B.
	Converse, Morton E.		Lawrence, William B.
	Day, Frederick B.		Leslie, Horace G.
	Dewey, Henry S.		Lomasney, Joseph P.
	Dickinson, Henry S.		Longley, Henry C.
	Dyar, Perlle A.		Lynch, John B.
	Edson, Nathan		Mayhew, Ulysses E.
	Ellis, Edward C.		McDonald, Peter J.
	Emery, S. Hopkins		McKenna, George B.
	Ensign, Charles S.		McLean, Isaac
	Fairbanks, John W.		McLoughlin, John T.
	Fales, Nathan H.		Meade, William E.
	Fallon, Thomas F.		Monk, Hiram A.
	Finney, Elkanah		Moore, Charles
	Fletcher, Charles T.		Moreau, Louis E. P.
	Gardner, Arthur H.		Moriarty, Eugene M.
	Giles, Joseph J.		Murray, Michael J.
	Gillett, Frederick H.		Newell, Charles B.
	Greene, Edward W.		Olmstead, James M.
	Handley, Aaron C.		Parkhurst, Wellington E.
	Harding, N. Frank		Perkins, George W.
	Hartshorn, James A.		Pickering, Benjamin P.

Messrs. Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Reid, James
 Rice, William H.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.

Messrs. Tilden, Charles A.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 White, Franklin B.
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wilson, William Power
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brophy, James L.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Golding, John
 Gould, David E.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.

Messrs. Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mooney, William L.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parker, James O.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Plummer, John M.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presbo, Edward W.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Salter, John J.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Wetherell, Barney T.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Thurston, Lysander	Messrs. Quincy, Josiah*
Curtis, Francis C.	McAnally, Frank*
Brooks, Ethan*	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Gale, John A.*	O'Brien, John
Loud, John C.*	Lane, Howard G.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Danforth, John M.*
Turner, Henry E.	Mitchell, Michael J.*
McFarland, Herbert A.	Frazer, Charles A.*

* Present.

The House, at ten minutes before five o'clock,
adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 12, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the town of Everett, for an act enabling it to construct and maintain a system of electric lighting, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bennett, the 12th joint rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Manufactures, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Bennett, it was voted that the committee be instructed to report upon the petition not later than May 19.

Town of
Everett,—
municipal
lighting.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Francis V. Balch and others, for the enactment of legislation respecting registry of deeds and titles, accepted by the Senate with an amendment by striking out the words "next General Court," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee on Registration of Titles," was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Registration of
land titles,—
Francis V.
Balch.

The House Bill to amend the charter of the city of Cambridge came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Cam-
bridge,—city
charter.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of I. P. Hutchinson, for the passage of an accom-

Railroad mile-
age tickets.

panying Bill relating to mileage tickets on railroads had been referred to the next General Court, under the 12th joint rule, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Prorogation.

Notice was also received that the House Resolution relative to prorogation on May 15 had been rejected by the Senate.

Report of Committees.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
mission.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve concerning the defence of proceedings for damages under chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1889 ought to pass.

Taxation, —
board of com-
missioners for
revision of
corporation and
tax laws.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish a board of commissioners for revising and amending the laws relating to corporations and taxation, and for promoting uniformity between the taxation and corporation laws of this Commonwealth and other States, ought to pass.

World's
Columbian
Exposition.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition ought to pass with the following amendment: Strike out after the word "dollars," in line 21 of the resolve, the words "is hereby appropriated to be disbursed" and insert in place thereof the words "may be expended."

Mary C.
Ostrander.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Mary C. Ostrander ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

Mr. Hutchinson of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday passed to be engrossed the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations. After debate the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Reinsurance.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the Bill to amend chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to reinsurance, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and considered. Mr Barrett

moved to amend in section 1, lines 16 to 22, inclusive, by striking out the words "but before any such reinsurance shall directly or indirectly be contracted for or effected, there shall be filed with the Insurance Commissioner the affidavit required by section eighty-three of this act, made by a broker holding special license under said section."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title also having been amended, on motion of the same gentleman, by inserting after the word "amend" the words "section twenty of."

On motion of Mr. Luther of New Bedford, the Bill to authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 14, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Grading and
classifying of
prisoners in the
State Prison.

On motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the Bill to ratify certain proceedings of the town of Richmond was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was amended, on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, by the addition of a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Section 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ensign, the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of Rich-
mond, — town
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentlemen, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 19, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
"public bar."

On motion of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, the Bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas

Municipal
lighting.

and electricity was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose (Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill occupying the chair), it was voted that the committee on Bills in the Third Reading report on the bill on Monday, May 18, and that the bill be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted. Engrossed bills :
 To provide for the filling of vacancies in town offices ;
 Authorizing the city of Lowell to take land for burial-grounds, and providing for their management ; and
 Relating to the giving of bonds without sureties by trustees ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Relating to the custody of city and town records and official papers ;
 To establish a drainage board for the city of Lynn ; and
 To incorporate the Somerville Trust Company ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed. Engrossed resolves :
 Providing for building a dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ; and
 Releasing the interest of the Commonwealth in certain lands in Winchester ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day. The report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, from further extending their business by means of branches, lodges or other subordinate organizations, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

amending the Constitution so as to allow a new division of cities into wards after taking of the decennial State census, and upon the basis of the figures of such census, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown ;

Authorizing the probate court to compel parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship ; and

To incorporate The Trustees of Public Reservations ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the punishment for drunkenness was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Pending amendments moved by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies was further considered. Mr. Wilson of Boston raised the following point of order :—

That the bill reported by the committee is broader than the Governor's address and the orders and petitions upon which it is reported ; and particularly, because the Governor's address and the orders and petitions upon which the bill is reported, — Point of order.

1. Concern only the relations existing between municipalities and corporations, whereas the bill reported by the committee deals with the relation of the *Commonwealth* with corporations.

2. The said address, orders and petitions contemplate an *increase* of the powers and authority over such corporations by municipalities only, whereas said bill not only *restricts* the rights of such municipalities to regulate and supervise such corporations, but it expressly seeks to *restrict* the rights of the *people* of the *Commonwealth* to regulate and supervise such corporations, in that, —

(a.) The bill attempts to create a contract between the Commonwealth and such corporations for a term of thirty years, during which the people and municipalities will be prevented from imposing any additional or necessary taxes, charges or excises in their own behalf, and also will be prevented from making any salutary laws, ordinances, rules or regulations, in the nature of police regulations, either for the establishment or

reduction of fares, the care of streets, the safety of the public, or any other laws, ordinances, rules or regulations which may result in or cause a "new kind of burden not now imposed upon them."

3. That it seeks to bind the Commonwealth as well as all the municipalities by contract, to compel the payment for the next thirty years of fares as now established throughout the Commonwealth.

4. That the bill seeks to change the well-established principles governing the increase of capital stock of street railways and the amount thereof,—matters not contemplated by said address, orders and petitions, and which were not considered by the committee.

5. That the bill seeks to reverse the settled policy of the Commonwealth, under which these corporations have been subject, in the use of the streets, to the control of the municipal officers of the cities and towns in which the franchise is to be used.

Pending the question of order, and pending the amendments moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, there being no objection, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 14, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that in all towns and cities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic the municipal authorities shall cause the graves of all soldiers and sailors who were enlisted in the service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion to be registered, and also to be decorated with flags placed thereon on each Memorial Day, which had been assigned for consideration until Thursday, May 14, was, by unanimous consent, considered. Mr. Weston of Hingham moved to amend by substituting a "Bill for the perpetuation of the memory of the Union soldiers and sailors of the late war of the rebellion."

Mr. Bill of Paxton moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute in section 1, line 8, by inserting after the word "rebellion" the words "or any previous war."

Point of order.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester raised the point of order that the amendment was beyond the scope of the order reported on by the committee, which related only to the graves of the soldiers and sailors who served in the late

war of the rebellion. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken and the amendment was ruled out.

After debate the bill was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Weston, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, Rule 15 was suspended.

The Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend in line 6 by striking out the word "shall" and inserting in place thereof the word "may." After debate the amendment was adopted by a vote of 73 to 24, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to restrict the use of crackers, squibs and serpents, toy pistols, toy cannons, bombs and mortars was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Hutchinson of Boston moved to amend as follows: In section 1, lines 2, 3 and 4, by striking out the words "for setting fire to a cracker, squib or serpent, or for throwing any lighted cracker, squib or serpent, or;" also, in line 5, after the word "pistol," insert the word "or;" also, in line 6, by striking out the words "bomb or mortar;" also, in section 2, lines 1, 2 and 3, by striking out the words "set fire to a cracker, squib or serpent, or throw any lighted cracker, squib or serpent, or;" also, in line 4, by striking out the words "bomb or mortar." In the same line insert the word "or" after the word "pistol."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the amendments were rejected, and the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 55 to 96.

The Bill authorizing the Commissioner of Corporations to change the names of corporations was read a third time and considered. Mr. Clark of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of section 3 the words "subject,

however, to the provisions of chapter 157 of the Acts of the year 1891," which was adopted. The amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading were severally adopted, to wit: After the word "present," in line 17 of section 1, insert the words "and voting;" also to add a new section, as follows:—

"*Section 6.* In the case of corporations not having a capital stock, a two-thirds vote of the persons legally qualified to vote in meetings of the corporation, and present and voting on the question of change, shall be sufficient in lieu of the vote of the stockholders required by section 1 of this act. And in the case of corporations not having a president, treasurer and directors, the certificate of the vote of the corporation required by section 3 of this act shall be sufficient if signed and sworn to by the presiding and the financial officer, and a majority of its other officers having the power of directors, by whatever name called;" and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Cannon of Lawrence moved to amend by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:—

"*Section 1.* In every city and town where opportunity is furnished, in connection with the regular work of the public school, for gratuitous instruction in the use of tools or in manual training, or for industrial education in any form, every person having under his control a child between the ages of eight and fifteen years shall cause such child to attend the public school during the same number of weeks in each school year during which attendance is now by law required in the case of children between the ages of eight and fourteen years, and subject to the same exceptions; and for neglect of such duty the person offending shall be liable to the same forfeiture, to be enforced in the same manner and subject to the same exceptions as now provided by law in case of neglect to require the attendance of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the amendment was

adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. The title was also amended, on motion of Mr. Cannon, so that it read "Bill raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years in cities and towns where opportunity is given for industrial education."

The Bill giving authority to the mayor of the city of Boston to make appointments without their being subject to confirmation was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by striking out the words "the city of Boston" and inserting in place thereof the words "any city within the Commonwealth."

Mr. Mooney of Boston raised the point of order that the amendment was broader in its scope than the order on which the bill was based. The Chair ruled that the amendment was in order, inasmuch as it was within the province of the committee to report a bill general in its character on an order contemplating legislation specially affecting the rights of a single city, and therefore declared the point of order not well taken.

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

At a quarter before five o'clock, under the rule, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 13, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Dewey of Boston in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

Message from
the Governor,—
safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, and was read and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking and sent up for concurrence:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 13, 1891.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

During the present session of the Legislature there have been granted eight charters to safe deposit and trust companies and loan and trust companies, and during the past few years a number of similar charters have been granted. Eight charters granted in 1887, 1888 and 1890 have not been used. Under these charters and the Acts of 1888, chapter 413, and amendments thereof in relation to said companies, a banking, trust and safety deposit business, and even savings bank business can be done, and all have been done in some instances.

The wide powers thus given, the intermingling of various kinds of business in one company, the latitude allowed said companies in their investments, the desirability of determining before a charter is granted whether there is a proper field for such a company, whether the powers given are to be used for business purposes, or are obtained for speculative purposes or to hold the ground against others, whether one or more or all the kinds of business now permitted such companies can be wisely and properly granted to each new company,—all these reasons, in my judgment, require that the granting of such charters should be under the careful scrutiny and supervision of trained officials thoroughly conversant with such matters; and then under such supervision charters should not be granted as special legislation, but under a general law be open to all responsible persons who meet the necessary requirements.

I, therefore, suggest for your consideration the passage of a general law permitting the incorporation of such companies

under the supervision and with the consent of the Commissioners of Savings Banks. This can be done by a simple amendment of chapter 413, Acts of 1888. A precedent is established by the general law permitting the formation of banks and of co-operative banks, and by chapter 243, Acts of 1890, which requires in the latter case the consent of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

The advantages of such a law would be : —

1. Proper supervision by experienced and skilled officials in the formation of such companies, involving an examination of the purpose and standing of the promoters and the business conditions of the situation.

2. Discretionary power in said officials to determine how many and what kinds of business the proposed company should transact.

3. Making the business, instead of a special privilege to the few, open to all under proper supervision.

4. Relieving the Legislature of much special legislation that is constantly increasing.

Entertaining these views, I have allowed the special acts of this year incorporating these companies (with the exception of the first, which escaped my attention) to become a law without my approval. Having no objection to any of these acts upon their merits, I have not considered that my opinion that the subject should be covered by a general law was sufficient reason for returning them to you without my approval. At the same time, I have been unwilling by my formal approval to sanction a course of special legislation which seems to me unwise and unnecessary.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to define the rights of joint owners in personal property (being a new draft of the House Bill relating to the rights of joint owners in personal property), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Personal property, — joint owners.

A Resolve to provide for compiling, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops who served in the revolutionary war (being a new draft of a House Resolve with a similar title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Records of the Massachusetts troops during the revolutionary war.

A Bill to give to the board of selectmen of the town of Medford certain powers in relation to brooks and streams therein (reported on a petition), passed to be

Town of Medford, — powers of the selectmen over brooks and streams.

engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Lawrence of Medford, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

East Bridge-
water, —
bounties.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Bill to authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties, having been returned to the Senate by His Excellency the Governor, with his objections thereto, had been reconsidered by that branch, and had failed to pass.

Reports of Committees.

Prosecutions
for capital
crimes.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to the trial of indictments for capital crimes ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill relating to prosecutions for capital crimes."

Gurnet Bridge
Company.

By Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Mercantile
agencies.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the management and liability of mercantile agencies, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 15, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Quincy Electric
Freight Rail-
way Company.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill to incorporate the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Quincy, by adding at the end of section 3 the words: "The grant of locations to said corporation or the approval of the same under section two may be subject to such terms and conditions as the city council of said city may prescribe," and the bill, as

amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Malden, the Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day.

Collateral inheritance tax.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, for the Carney Hospital, and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ladd, the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Appropriation bill.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, and sundry petitions in aid of the same, which had been assigned for consideration until Thursday, May 14, was, by unanimous consent, taken up and further postponed until Wednesday, May 20, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Subterranean railways,—Henry C. Spaulding.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the American Oriental Society to hold its meetings without the Commonwealth ;

Bills enacted.

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations ;

To prevent false representations to overseers of the poor and the State Board of Lunacy and Charity ; and

Concerning foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To give to the board of selectmen of the town of Medford certain powers in relation to brooks and streams therein (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve providing for the gratuitous distribution of the atlas map of Massachusetts to certain departments and persons (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day. **Bills :**
In relation to the duties of official stenographers for the superior court ; and

To authorize sentence in criminal cases in the superior court where an appeal appears frivolous ; and the

Resolve in favor of Mary C. Ostrander ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Finance, by striking out, in line 21, the words "is hereby appropriated to be disbursed," and inserting in place thereof the words "may be expended," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown ;

Authorizing the probate court to compel parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship ; and

To incorporate The Trustees of Public Reservations ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill giving authority to the mayor of the city of Boston to make appointments without their being subject to confirmation, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Section 2.* This act shall apply when its provisions are accepted at an annual municipal election by a vote of a majority of the voters present and voting thereon in their respective wards."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Bullock of Fall River, was rejected. The amendment moved by Mr. Sohier was adopted by a vote of 67 to 57, and the bill, as amended, was refused a third reading.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to legislation relating to granting locations for poles of telegraph and telephone companies in towns; also of amending chapter 404 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the regulation and supervision of wires, so that the provisions of said act shall apply to towns; also of legislation for the better regulation and control by State, city and town officers of the acts and business of corporations making use of wires over or under public highways; also of legislation for the better protection of persons and property against injury from electric wires; also of enlarging the powers of the supervisor of wires over streets or buildings in the city of Boston, was considered.

Mr. Stearns of Salem moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish a board of gas and electric commissioners." After debate the amendment was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings was further considered, the question being on engrossment. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hemenway of Canton, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 86 yeas to 99 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Lanigan, Andrew M.
Barrett, Harry H.	Loud, John C.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Luby, Patrick B.
Bill, Ledyard	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Breen, Daniel F.	McCarthy, Daniel
Bright, Elmer H.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Brophy, James L.	McKenna, George B.
Buckley, William P.	McLean, Isaac
Burke, James F.	McLoughlin, John T.
Cannon, Patrick	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Capen, Robert P.	McSolla, Richard F.
Carroll, Michael	Mellen, James H.
Carter, James H.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Chance, Charles J.	Mooney, William L.
Chester, Dwight	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Clough, George S.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Davis, Squire S.	O'Brien, John J.
Ellis, Edward C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Ensign, Charles S.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Plummer, John M.
Finney, Elkanah	Presho, Edward W.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Quincy, Josiah
Frazer, Charles A.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Golding, John	Reid, James
Gould, David E.	Rice, William H.
Harding, N. Frank	Rosnosky, Isaac
Heffernan, Edward J.	Savage, Patrick J.
Herrod, Edward E.	Smith, Charles S.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Smith, Elvin L.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Stearns, William H.
Hinds, John F.	Swallow, George N.
Howard, Timothy	Taft, Henry G.
Howe, Archibald M.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Howe, Edward C.	Tilden, Charles A.
Hurley, John T.	Tilton, Frank B.
Judd, Myron H.	Tucker, George F.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Warren, Bentley W.
Kemp, Parker J.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Lakin, James A.	White, Franklin B.
Lane, Hiram B.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Bacheller, Charles M.
Austin, J. Lewis	Baker, Charles H.
Babson, Fitz J.	Bartlett, Robert G.

Messrs. Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Butler, William M.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.

Messrs. Kirby, Albert C.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lewis, James A.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McFethries, John
 Meade, William E.
 Moore, Charles
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, James O.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stevens, William S.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Weston, Thomas
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Wright, William J.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Worcester, Charles F.	Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.*
Day, Frederick B.*	Fairbanks, John W.
Howard, S. Edward	Sohier, William D.*
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Wardwell, J. Otis*
Boodey, Charles H.	Luther, Haile R.*
O'Neil, Eugene J.*	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Fales, Nathan H.*	Salter, John J.
Carpenter, George N.	Marston, Dudley J.*
Harriman, Charles H.	Carpenter, Erastus P.*
Bennett, Frank P.*	Kittredge, Francis W.
Monk, Hiram A.*	Converse, Morton E.
Coffey, John H.	Waterman, Eben C.*

• Present.

The Bill to provide for the appointment and removal of members of the board of prison commissioners, the warden and other officers of the State Prison, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Luther of New Bedford, it was amended in section 1, line 1, by inserting after the word "Governor" the words "with the advice and consent of the Council," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic was read a second time and considered. Mr. Hodges of Nahant moved to amend by substituting a bill with the same title. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 41 to 80, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling railroad companies to maintain safe crossings where such are necessary to enable owners to reach and use their land, unless such land has been fully paid for by such companies, was taken up. Pending the question on its acceptance, in concurrence, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Hall of Waltham, at thirty-eight minutes past four o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 14, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hinds of Webster, of a special committee of the town of Webster, that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motion of Mr. Hinds, the 12th and 9th joint rules were suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

Town of Webster, — water supply.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (reported on the annual report of the commissioners on an asylum for the chronic insane in eastern Massachusetts), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Asylum for the chronic insane.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to provide a clerk for the first district court of southern Worcester had been rejected by that branch.

Clerk for the first district court of southern Worcester.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the joint special committee on redistricting the State into congressional districts, who were appointed to report a plan, upon a non-partisan basis, for redividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts, and to whom was referred a message from the Governor transmitting an attested copy of an act of Congress relating to the subject, a Bill to divide the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of Representatives in the Congress of the United States. (Mr. Breed of the Senate, and Mr. Pratt of Lowell, of the House, dissenting.) (House, No. 532.)

Redistricting the State into congressional districts.

Manual training
and industrial
education.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide for an investigation of the subject of manual training and industrial education ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

City of Boston,
—appointments
by the mayor.

Mr. Wilson of Boston moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday whereby the Bill giving authority to the mayor of the city of Boston to make appointments without their being subject to confirmation was refused a third reading. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Wilson, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 24 yeas to 134 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.

Blanchard, S. Stillman

Bliss, Frederic W.

Bullock, Walter J. D.

Clough, George S.

Emery, S. Hopkins

Gillett, Frederick H.

Harriman, Charles H.

Horton, Everett S.

Howe, Archibald M.

Hutchinson, Isaac P.

Kittredge, Francis W.

Messrs. McCarthy, Daniel

McLean, Isaac

Meade, William E.

Newell, Charles B.

Quincy, Josiah

Reid, James

Sohier, William D.

Stearns, William H.

Stevens, William S.

Thomas, Harrison O.

Wilson, William Power

Withington, Nathan N.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen

Appleton, Francis H.

Atkins, Edwin A.

Austin, J. Lewis

Bachelor, Charles M.

Bartlett, Robert G.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bicknell, Zechariah L.

Bill, Ledyard

Bingham, Henry T.

Breen, Daniel F.

Britton, Henry W.

Brock, Lemuel M.

Brophy, James L.

Messrs. Buckley, William P.

Bucklin, Andrew J.

Burke, James F.

Cannon, William

Capen, Robert P.

Carpenter, Erastus P.

Carpenter, George N.

Carroll, Michael

Carter, Richard A.

Chance, Charles J.

Charles, Salem D.

Chester, Dwight

Child, Daniel R.

Clapp, James W.

Messrs. Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Edson, Nathan
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Golding, John
 Gould, David E.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hurley, John T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.

Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 McAnally, Frank
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moore, Charles
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Murray, Michael J.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Salter, John J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Wheaton, Henry C.

Messrs. White, Franklin B.	Messrs. Williams, Hezekiah W.
Whitney, Edwin	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Wilder, Aaron O.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 24 ; Nays, 134.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Hemenway, Augustus Mr. Giles, Joseph J. (present.)

Grade cross-
ings.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday whereby the Bill to amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings was rejected. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 83 yeas to 92 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Gould, David E.
Barrett, Harry H.	Haggerty, Roger
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Harding, N. Frank
Breen, Daniel F.	Harriman, Charles H.
Bright, Elmer H.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Brophy, James L.	Herrrod, Edward E.
Buckley, William P.	Hevey, Thomas D.
Burke, James F.	Hickox, Stephen A.
Cannon, Patrick	Hinds, John F.
Carpenter, George N.	Horton, Everett S.
Carroll, Michael	Howard, Timothy
Carter, James H.	Howe, Archibald M.
Chance, Charles J.	Howe, Edward C.
Chester, Dwight	Hurley, John T.
Child, Daniel R.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Clough, George S.	Judd, Myron H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Davis, Squire S.	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Day, Frederick B.	Lakin, James A.
Ensign, Charles S.	Lane, Hiram B.
Fales, Nathan H.	Loud, John C.
Finney, Elkanah	Luby, Patrick B.
Frazer, Charles A.	Lynch, John B.
Gardner, Arthur H.	McCarthy, Daniel
Golding, John	McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McFarland, Herbert A.	Messrs. Rady, Andrew J.
McKenna, George B.	Reid, James
McLean, Isaac	Rice, William H.
McLoughlin, John T.	Rosnosky, Isaac
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Smith, Elvin L.
McSolla, Richard F.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Mellen, James H.	Stearns, William H.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Swallow, George N.
Mooney, William L.	Taft, Henry G.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Tilton, Frank B.
O'Brien, John J.	Tucker, George F.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Peterson, Benjamin F.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Presho, Edward W.	White, Franklin B.
Quincy, Josiah	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Quinn, Patrick J.	

NAVS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Fletcher, Charles T.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Flood, Nathan B.
Austin, J. Lewis	Gillett, Frederick H.
Babson, Fitz J.	Goddard, Edward A.
Bachelor, Charles M.	Handley, Aaron C.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Hartshorn, James A.
Bingham, Henry T.	Hobson, Charles H.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Hodges, William D.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Howe, S. Augustus
Britton, Henry W.	Hunting, Amos
Brock, Lemuel M.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Brown, George H.	Johnson, Henry H.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Keyes, Charles G.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Butler, William M.	Kimball, John W.
Cannon, William	Kirby, Albert C.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Knowlton, George K.
Carter, Richard A.	Knox, James W.
Clapp, James W.	Lane, Howard G.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Langdon, Henry W.
Clark, Louis M.	Lawrence, William B.
Corbett, Myron L.	Leslie, Horace G.
Curtis, Francis C.	Lewis, James A.
Danforth, John M.	Lord, Lucien
Dewey, Henry S.	Marston, Dudley J.
Dickinson, Henry S.	McAnally, Frank
Dyar, Perlle A.	McDonald, Peter J.
Edson, Nathan	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Emery, S. Hopkins	McFethries, John
Fairbanks, John W.	Meade, William E.
Ferren, Myron J.	Moore, Charles

Messrs. Mott, Edward	Messrs. Salter, John J.
Murray, Michael J.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Newell, Charles B.	Sprague, Charles F.
O'Brien, John	Stevens, William S.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Penney, Alonzo	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Perkins, George W.	Turner, Charles W.
Pickering, Benjamin P.	Turner, Henry E.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Pratt, Amasa	Wardwell, J. Otis
Prouty, John E. O.	Waterman, Eben C.
Read, Franklin F.	Weston, Thomas
Richardson, Arthur C.	Whitney, Edwin
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Ripley, Samuel E.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 83 ; Nays, 92.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Howard, S. Edward	Messrs. Williams, Hezekiah W.*
Boodey, Charles H.	Luther, Haile R.*
Savage, Patrick J.	Withington, Nathan N.*
Ellis, Edward C.	Kenrick, John, Jr.*
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Thurston, Lysander*
Bennett, Frank P.*	Kittredge, Francis W.
Monk, Hiram A.*	Converse, Morton E.
Sohier, William D.*	Parker, James O.

* Present.

Taken from the Table.

Incorporation
of clubs.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1890, being an act to regulate the incorporation of clubs, by striking out the words "hereafter incorporated" in the second line thereof, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 20, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Wild fowl.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John S. Nicholson and others for legisla-

tion permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 21, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston City of Boston,
—term of office
of the mayor. was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 21, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, recommending the reference to the joint special committee on Registration of Titles of the petition of Francis V. Balch and others for the enactment of legislation respecting registry of deeds and titles, was accepted, in concurrence. Orders of the
day;

Bills :

In addition to an act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company ; and

Relating to prosecutions for capital crimes ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the duties of official stenographers for the superior court ; and the

Resolve to provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of Mary C. Ostrander was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling railroad companies to maintain safe crossings where such are

necessary to enable owners to reach and use their land, unless such land has been fully paid for by such companies, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

Mr. Hinds of Webster moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to require railroad corporations to maintain crossings in certain cases." Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report in concurrence with the Senate, it was, on further motion of Mr. Hinds, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 21, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies was considered.

Points of order.

On the following pending questions of order, raised by Mr. Wilson of Boston, that the bill reported by the committee is broader than the Governor's Address and the orders and petitions upon which it is reported; and, particularly, because the Governor's Address and the orders and petitions upon which the bill is reported:

1. Concern only the relations existing between municipalities and corporations, whereas the bill reported by the committee deals with the relation of the Commonwealth with corporations.
2. The said Address, orders and petitions contemplate an increase of the powers and authority over such corporations by municipalities only, whereas said bill not only restricts the rights of such municipalities to regulate and supervise such corporations, but it expressly seeks to restrict the rights of the people of the Commonwealth to regulate and supervise such corporations, in that (a), the bill attempts to create a contract between the Commonwealth and such corporations for a term of thirty years, during which the people and municipalities will be prevented from imposing any additional or necessary taxes, charges or excises in their own behalf, and also will be prevented from making any salutary laws, ordinances, rules or regulations in the nature of police regulations, either for the establishment or reduction of fares, the care of streets, the safety of the public, or any other laws, ordinances, rules or regulations which may result in or cause a "new kind of burden not now imposed upon them."
3. That it seeks to bind the Commonwealth, as well as all the municipalities, by contract, to compel the payment for the next thirty years of fares

as now established throughout the Commonwealth. 4. That the bill seeks to change the well-established principles governing the increase of capital stock of street railways and the amount thereof, matters not contemplated by said Address, orders and petitions, and which were not considered by the committee. 5. That the bill seeks to reverse the settled policy of the Commonwealth, under which these corporations have been subject, in the use of the streets, to the control of the municipal officers of the cities and towns in which the franchise is to be used ; — the Speaker ruled as follows : —

The points of order as raised by the gentleman from Boston, and printed in the calendar, have reference to the question as to whether the bill is beyond the scope of the orders and petitions upon which the bill was reported. The Chair will state that there are several orders and petitions on which the bill was reported, the most of them coming from various cities and towns in the State, in which the Legislature is asked to submit certain corporations enjoying the use of the public ways to further municipal restrictions relating to franchises, and also to additional tax burdens. Ruling by the
Chair.

Several provisions of the bill are clearly beyond the scope of these municipal petitions and of the orders submitted, but the Chair finds one which does not limit the control and regulations of such franchises to municipal authorities, which disposes of the first point of order raised.

The second point of order raised has chiefly to do with the assertion that the bill, if it becomes a law, will change the established policy of the Commonwealth. The House understands that whatever the opinion of the Chair may be, he is not empowered to rule bills out of order because they change the existing law of the Commonwealth, and is only called upon to decide questions of parliamentary law, and not questions of policy.

The third point of order is that the clause regarding the fixity of fares for a period of thirty years is beyond the scope of the various orders and petitions. The Chair finds in the papers a petition of Geo. Fred Williams asking, among other things, for legislation limiting grants for the using of public thoroughfares with tracks, etc., so that they shall only continue for a term of years. The provisions concerning a fixity of fares are merely incidental to the policy of the legislation proposed. The bill looks to levying taxation and imposing additional burdens upon these corporations and a limiting of their franchises, and as an offset provides that rates of fare shall not be reduced for the same period. The precedents are uniform to the effect that the affixing of conditions upon legislation of this character is incidental to the main purpose

of the bill, and may be inserted by the House as a corollary to the main object of the legislation sought.

Point of order numbered 4, regarding the section providing for the regulation of the issue of new stock, seems to be covered by another item of the petition of Mr. Williams, in which he asks "that proper public officers shall have power of supervision of all transactions of such corporation relating to its credit or the issuance of capital stock." The section in the bill to which the point of order, raised by the gentleman from Boston, has reference relates to the issue of capital stock under supervision of the railroad commissioners. The Chair will be obliged to consider, under a reasonable interpretation of the second clause of the petition relating to "proper public officers, etc.," that the clause in the bill relating to the issuance of capital stock under direction of the railroad commissioners, etc., seems plainly to be properly based upon said petition. Regarding point numbered 5, the Chair will state what he has already said in regard to points 1 and 2, that it is a matter over which the Chair has no authority. The fact that the bill is a departure from the established policy of the Commonwealth has nothing to do with its parliamentary standing, but is a question which falls within the province of the House and not of the Chair to consider.

The Chair thinks that the orders and petition to which the Chair has referred seem to cover the various matters included in the bill, and therefore that the subject-matter of the bill is not beyond the scope of the various orders, petitions and the Address upon which the committee has reported a bill, and that the points of order are not well taken.

The pending bill, moved as an amendment by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

Mr. Kittredge moved to amend by substituting a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and pending the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the House, —

At a quarter before five o'clock, under the rule, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 15, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Resolution Presented.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote : —

Resolved, That the sympathy of this House be extended to Mr. Hinckley of Lee, representative of the fifth Berkshire district, who has met with the sad and irreparable loss of his wife in this city, where she suddenly passed away last evening.

Resolution.

Remonstrance Presented.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Brophy of Framingham, of the Nationalist Club of Boston, against the Bill extending the franchises of street railways for thirty years, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Nationalist Club of Boston.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, a Bill for the further protection of the public in relation to the business of foreign co-operative banking. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Wardwell, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Foreign co-operative banking.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Repealing the law relating to fenders and guards on street railway cars (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners) ; and

Street railways, — fenders and guards on cars.

To incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company (substituted in the Senate for the report

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bonds in
bastardy cases.

A Bill relating to bonds in bastardy cases (being a new draft of the House "Bill amending section 6 of chapter 85 of the Public Statutes relating to the continuance of hearings on bastardy complaints"), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

City of Boston,
—public parks
and Charles
River Embank-
ment.

The House Bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following new title: "An Act to authorize the city of Boston to construct a sea wall and extend the Charles River Embankment." The House concurred in the amendment, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Providence and
Springfield
Railroad Com-
pany, — New
York and New
England Rail-
road.

A petition of the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company for authority to extend its road into Massachusetts, to connect with the New York and New England Railroad at some convenient point in the town of Douglas, near the intersection of the boundary lines of Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island, came down referred, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Railroads with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. The House concurred in the suspension of the rules and in the reference, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Taken from the Table.

Use of streets
by corporations
or persons.

On motion of Mr. Stearns of Salem, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing cities and towns, or some officer or board thereof, to revoke locations granted for the use of streets by corporations or persons, was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence.

Grade
crossings.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following

words in the fourth section thereof: "*provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad, the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained," was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chester of Newton, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Newton that section 4 of chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the abolition of grade crossings, be amended by striking out the provision that the consent of the directors of a railroad company shall first be obtained in cases where a change of grade is proposed, was taken from the table, amended on further motion of the same gentleman by striking out the words "leave to withdraw" and inserting in place thereof the words "reference to the next General Court," and, as amended, was accepted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the Bill to secure the publication of election expenses was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 19, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Constituting nine hours a day's work for county employees; Bills enacted.

Relative to the bribery of certain public officers; and

Relating to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To prevent the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the printing of 500 extra copies of the second report of the Commissioner Resolve passed.

on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Resolve concerning the defence of proceedings for damages under chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1889 was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Ladd of Boston moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court. The motion was lost. Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved that debate be closed at two o'clock P.M., unless a vote should be sooner reached. Mr. Chance of Boston moved that debate be closed on Monday next, at three o'clock P.M., unless a vote should be sooner reached. The question was first put on the motion of Mr. Chance, which was carried.

Pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at one o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, May 18, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Relating to the fees to be paid in the district and municipal courts in the city of Boston (introduced on leave in the Senate) ; and

City of Boston,
— fees in the
municipal and
district courts.

To authorize the transfer of inmates of the industrial school at Lawrence to the truant school for the county of Essex (reported on an order) ;

Industrial
school at Law-
rence,—transfer
of inmates.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill relating to the payment of poll-taxes by political organizations.

Poll-taxes,—
payment by
political organ-
izations.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish a nautical training school ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Nautical train-
ing school.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the sale of certain portions of the lot of land upon which a new State Normal School building is being erected in Westfield, and for other purposes, ought to pass in a new draft with the title “ Resolve providing for the sale of a portion of land upon which the State Normal School at Westfield is being erected, and of a dwelling-house situated on said land.”

State Normal
School at West-
field.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of certain unpaid veterans of the town of Scituate ought to pass in a new draft with the title “ Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of Scituate.”

Town of Scitu-
ate,—unpaid
veterans.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Auditor's department,—
clerks' salaries.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks in the Auditor's department ought to pass with the following amendment: In section 3, line 6, strike out the words "fifteen hundred" and insert in place thereof the words "thirteen hundred and fifty."

State normal school boarding-houses.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the management of the boarding-houses at the State normal schools ought to pass.

Murdock Parlor Grate Company.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Murdock Parlor Grate Company ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 22, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Relating to the water supply of the city of Haverhill; and
Authorizing the probate court to compel parents to contribute to the support of minor children under guardianship;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown; and

To incorporate the Trustees of Public Reservations;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing that provision of section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public

Statutes, as amended by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1887 (relating to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of the granting of liquor licenses), which provides that no license to sell intoxicating liquor shall be granted when the owner of any real estate within twenty-five feet of the premises described in the application for a license interposes an objection thereto, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane ; and

Repealing the law relating to fenders and guards on street railway cars ; and the

Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In addition to an act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company ; and

Relating to prosecutions for capital crimes ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize sentence in criminal cases in the Superior Court where an appeal appears frivolous was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies, being the unfinished business of last Friday, was further considered. Mr. Tuttle of Arlington moved to reconsider the vote of Friday last, whereby the House voted to close debate on Monday at three o'clock P.M., unless a vote should be sooner reached. The motion prevailed, and pending the recurring question on closing debate at three o'clock, Mr. Wilson of Boston moved that debate be closed at four o'clock P.M., unless a vote should be sooner reached, which motion prevailed.

Mr. Shaw of New Bedford moved to amend in section 5, line 9, by striking out the words "city council" and inserting in place thereof the words "mayor and board of aldermen."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on

motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, laid upon the table by a vote of 91 to 38.

The Bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead moved to amend as follows: In section 1, line 6, strike out the word "or" and insert in place thereof the word "and." In section 9, line 21, insert after the word "and" the words "in both cities and towns by the." In line 22 of the same section insert before the word "city" the words "mayor of a," and before the word "town" the words "the selectmen of a." In line 23 of the same section strike out the words "to it." In line 24 of the same section strike out the words "it may vote" and insert in place thereof the words "they may order." In line 27 of the same section insert after the word "board" the words "of gas and electric light commissioners." In section 12, insert in line 32, after the word "shall," the words "except as hereinafter otherwise provided." In the same section insert, after the word "provided," in line 64, the following:—

"And no city or town shall be obliged to pay a larger sum for any property which it may be required to purchase under this section than was actually paid therefor in cash or its equivalent by the owners of such property; nor shall a city or town be obliged to purchase any property except such as is actually in use within the limits of such city or town at the time of the final vote of such city or town to establish a plant."

In the same section strike out, in lines 65 to 70 inclusive, the words "If the main gas works or central lighting station of such a plant do not lie within the limits of the city or town which has voted as aforesaid, then such city or town shall only purchase, as herein provided, that portion of such plant and property which lies within its limits."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, at four o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 19, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for the election of twelve aldermen-at-large on a general ticket; or so as to provide for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six at large on a general ticket (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Buckley of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— aldermen-at-large.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the appointment of probation officers came from the Senate with the endorsement: "Bill returned by His Excellency the Governor at the request of the Senate. Enactment reconsidered by unanimous consent. Senate Rule 47 suspended. Bill amended at [A] by inserting the words 'subject to the approval of the county commissioners of the county in which the court is located.'" There being no objection, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted by the House was reconsidered. The House concurred in the amendment, under a suspension of the rules, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Appointment
of probation
officers.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of an engrossed Bill relative to fishing in the Merrimack River.

Fishing in the
Merrimack
River.

Notice was also received that the House Bill for the perpetuation of the memory of the Union soldier and sailor of the war of the rebellion had been rejected by that branch.

Decoration of
the graves of
soldiers and
sailors.

Reports of Committees.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses and for the erection of a new laundry and boiler-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital."

Taunton Lunatic
Hospital.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Resolve providing for certain repairs at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital." (Messrs. Peterson of Whitman and Crowley of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

State House
loan sinking
fund, 1901.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in addition to an act making an appropriation for the State House loan sinking fund, 1901.

City of
Woburn, —
board of
sewerage com-
missioners.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of a board of sewerage commissioners for the city of Woburn, and to define their powers and duties, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Revolutionary
war records
of Massachu-
setts troops.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve to provide for collecting, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops of the period of the revolutionary war ought to pass.

Marking of
places danger-
ous to yachts
and small boats.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to the marking of places dangerous to yachts and small boats ought to pass.

Bonds in
bastardy cases.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relative to bonds in bastardy cases ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Benevolent
associations,
establishment
of.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to promote the establishment of benevolent associations ought not to pass. (Mr. Crowley

of Boston, of the House, dissenting.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to order to a third reading the Bill to limit the proportion of the land of any city or town which can be purchased or held exempt from taxation was taken from the table, and was rejected.

Taxation,—
amount of land
to be held by
cities and towns
exempt.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to establish a board of commissioners for revising and amending the laws relating to corporations and taxation, and for promoting uniformity between the taxation and corporation laws of this Commonwealth and of other States, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 22, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation,—
commission to
promote
uniformity in
the tax and
corporation
laws of this
State and other
States.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the management and liability of mercantile agencies, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 26, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Mercantile
agencies.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

World's
Columbian
Exposition.

On motion of Mr. Brock of Lynn, the Bill to provide for the appointment and removal of members of the board of prison commissioners, the warden and other officers of the State Prison, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time.

Appointment
and removal of
members of the
board of prison
commissioners,
the warden and
other officers of
State Prison.

Mr. Brock moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by striking out the words "with the advice and consent of the council." The amendment was rejected by a vote of 31 to 77, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Redistricting of
the State into
congressional
districts.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill to divide the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of representatives in the Congress of the United States was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 28, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Auditor's
department,—
salaries of
clerks.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, the Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks in the Auditor's department was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the main question on ordering to a third reading, and pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 26, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

State normal
schools,—
management of
boarding-
houses.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the Bill relating to the management of boarding-houses at the State normal schools was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 27, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree ;
To authorize the city of Boston to construct a sea-wall
and extend the Charles River Embankment ;

Relating to the conveyance of real estate in cases of
disseizin ;

To incorporate the Quincy Electric Freight Railway
Company ; and

To restrict the height of buildings in cities ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Mary C. Ostrander (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to establish a nautical training school ; and the Resolve providing for the sale of a portion of land upon which the State Normal School at Westfield is being erected and of a dwelling-house situated on said land ; Orders of the day.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve concerning the defence of proceedings for damages under chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1889 was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so that it read "Resolve relating to allowances for assistance to district attorneys in proceedings under the Mystic and Charles River Valleys Sewage Disposal Act").

The Bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy it was voted that general debate be closed at quarter past twelve o'clock, and then that the pending amendments be voted on in order, ten minutes being allowed for debate on each, and that the vote on the main question be taken as soon as the vote is taken on the last amendment.

Mr. Gould of Chelsea moved to amend by striking out sections 2 and 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new sections : —

"Sect. 2. Before the authority conferred in section 1 shall be exercised by any city, its city council shall have voted by a majority vote of each branch thereof to submit the question of the exercise of such authority, or

so much thereof as it votes to exercise, to the vote of the people, and shall have been ratified by a majority of the legal voters present and voting at the annual municipal election following. When such a vote has failed to secure such ratification no similar question shall be submitted for ratification until after the expiration of five years.

"*Sect. 3.* Before the authority conferred in section 1 shall be exercised by any town, it shall have voted upon the question as to the exercise of such authority, and shall have passed by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the voters present and voting at a town meeting duly called for the purpose. At such meetings the vote shall be taken by written or printed ballot and by the use of a check-list. When such a vote has failed of passage, no similar vote shall be passed until after the expiration of two years thereafter."

The amendments were severally rejected.

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend in section 6, line 6, by inserting after the word "maintaining" the words "upon such premises;" also by striking out in lines 8 and 9 the words "whether application be made therefor or not;" also strike out in lines 14, 15 and 16 the words "provision may also be made for dividing the assessment upon division of interest in the premises."

The amendments were severally adopted.

The following amendments, moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, in section 4, line 16, after the word "issued" to insert the words "by a city or town;" also in lines 18 and 19, to strike out the words "of such city or town" and insert in place thereof the words "therein in the case of a town, or two and one-half per cent. of such valuation in the case of a city;" also in section 12, lines 68 and 69, to strike out the words "as herein provided," and in line 70, after the word "limits," to insert the words "paying therefor upon the basis of value above established but without allowance of damages on account of severance of plant," were severally adopted.

The following pending amendments, moved by Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, were withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection: In line 27 of section 9 to insert after "board" the words "of gas and electric light commissioners." In section 12 to insert in line 32, after "shall," the words "except as hereinafter otherwise provided," and in the same section to insert, after the

word "provided," in line 64, the following: "And no city or town shall be obliged to pay a larger sum for any property which it may be required to purchase under this section than was actually paid therefor in cash or its equivalent by the owners of such property; nor shall a city or town be obliged to purchase any property except such as is actually in use within the limits of such city or town at the time of the final vote of such city or town to establish a plant;" also in the same section to strike out the passage commencing with the word "If," in line 65, and ending with the word "limits," in line 70.

The remaining pending amendments, moved by Mr. Sparhawk, were adopted by a vote of 107 to 18, to wit: In section 1, line 6, strike out the word "or" and insert in place thereof the word "and." In section 9, line 21, insert after the word "and" the words "in both cities and towns by the." In line 22 of the same section insert before the word "city" the words "mayor of a," and before the word "town" the words "the selectmen of a." In line 23 of the same section strike out the words "to it;" also in line 24 of the same section strike out the words "it may vote" and insert in place thereof the words "they may order."

Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to further amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 18, as follows:—

"*Sect. 18.* Nothing herein shall be construed to take away, restrict or impair any rights of cities or towns which may now exist, to revoke locations of wires, poles, conduits, or pipes in, over or under their streets or ways: *provided, however,* that no city or town having within its limits the main gas works in the case of a gas plant, or the central lighting station in the case of an electric light plant, shall revoke any rights heretofore granted, or which may hereafter be granted, to any person or corporation engaged in the business of making, generating or distributing gas or electricity for sale for lighting purposes, for the purpose of forcing such corporation to sell its plant and property used in connection therewith, or for the purpose of lessening the purchase price of the same; and no such city or town having taken advantage of this act shall revoke any rights, licenses or locations granted as aforesaid to any such person or corporation for the purpose of hindering or stopping his or its business, or of limiting his or its competition with such city or town in the sale of

electricity or gas. The provisions of this section shall apply in the case of a city whether such revocation shall be made by both branches of the city government or by either branch thereof."

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg; and the roll being called, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 96 yeas to 98 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Bacheller, Charles M.	Messrs. Hartshorn, James A.
Baker, Charles H.	Hemenway, Augustus
Barrett, Harry H.	Hickox, Stephen A.
Barrett, Richard F.	Hobson, Charles H.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Hodges, William D.
Bingham, Henry T.	Howe, Edward C.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Bright, Elmer H.	Johnson, Henry H.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Keyes, Charles G.
Bullard, Henry B.	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Butler, William M.	Kimball, John W.
Capen, Robert P.	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Lane, Hiram B.
Carpenter, George N.	Lewis, James A.
Charles, Salem D.	Longley, Henry C.
Chester, Dwight	Lord, Lucien
Clark, Louis M.	Marston, Dudley J.
Clarke, George E.	McDonald, Peter J.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Moore, Charles
Curtis, Francis C.	Mott, Edward
Danforth, John M.	Murray, Michael J.
Day, Frederick B.	Newell, Charles B.
Dewey, Henry S.	Olmstead, James M.
Ellis, Edward C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Penney, Alonzo
Ensign, Charles S.	Perkins, George W.
Fairbanks, John W.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Fales, Nathan H.	Plummer, John M.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Flood, Nathan B.	Pratt, Amasa
Gammons, Benjamin	Presho, Edward W.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Prouty, John E. O.
Goddard, Edward A.	Quincy, Josiah
Golding, John	Ramage, James
Greene, Edward W.	Reid, James
Hall, Henry C.	Rice, William H.
Handley, Aaron C.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Harding, N. Frank	Shaw, Charles F.

Messrs. Sobier, William D.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tucker, George F.

Messrs. Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brophy, James L.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clough, George S.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Edson, Nathan
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gale, John A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gould, David E.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.

Messrs. Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Quinn, Patrick J.

Messrs. Rady, Andrew J.	Messrs. Smith, Elvin L.
Rafferty, Patrick H.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Richardson, Albert W.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Tilden, Charles A.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Tilton, Frank B.
Ripley, Samuel E.	Turner, Charles W.
Salter, John J.	Weston, Thomas
Savage, Patrick J.	Whitney, Edwin
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Smith, Charles S.	Worcester, Charles F.

Yeas, 96 ; Nays, 98.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Williams, Hezekiah W.* Mr. McKenna, George B.

* Present.

On the question on passing the bill as amended to be engrossed the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 158 yeas to 29 nays, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments. The vote was as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Bullock, Walter J. D.
Appleton, Francis H.	Burke, James F.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Cannon, Patrick
Barrett, Harry H.	Cannon, William
Barrett, Richard F.	Capen, Robert P.
Bennett, Frank P.	Carpenter, Erastus P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Carpenter, George N.
Bill, Ledyard	Carroll, Michael
Bingham, Henry T.	Carter, James H.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Carter, Richard A.
Breen, Daniel F.	Chance, Charles J.
Bright, Elmer H.	Charles, Salem D.
Britton, Henry W.	Child, Daniel R.
Brophy, James L.	Clapp, James W.
Buchholz, Herman	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Buckley, William P.	Clarke, George E.
Bullard, Henry B.	Clough, George S.

Messrs. Corbett, Myron L.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Langan, Andrew M.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.

Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moore, Charles
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Newell, Charles B.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugenc J.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Reid, James
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Salter, John J.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.

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Messrs. Sprague, Charles F.	Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.
Stearns, William H.	Waterman, Eben C.
Stevens, William S.	Weston, Thomas
Taft, Henry G.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Thomas, Harrison O.	White, Franklin B.
Thurston, Lysander	Whitney, Edwin
Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Tilden, Charles A.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Tilton, Frank B.	Withington, Nathan N.
Turner, Charles W.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Tuttle, William H. H.	Worcester, Charles F.
Wardwell, J. Otis	Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bacheller, Charles M.	Messrs. Hodges, William D.
Baker, Charles H.	Kimball, John W.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Lane, Hiram B.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Lewis, James A.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Longley, Henry C.
Brooks, Ethan	Marston, Dudley J.
Butler, William M.	McDonald, Peter J.
Clark, Louis M.	Murray, Michael J.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Penney, Alonzo
Danforth, John M.	Pratt, Amasa
Dewey, Henry S.	Ramage, James
Fletcher, Charles T.	Shaw, Charles F.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Smith, Charles S.
Golding, John	Turner, Henry E.
Hickox, Stephen A.	

Yeas, 158 ; Nays, 29.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Hemenway, Augustus
 Meade, William E.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Chester, Dwight*
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Brown, George H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Emery, S. Hopkins*
 Sohier, William D.*
 Fairbanks, John W.*
 Converse, Morton E.
 Lord, Lucien*
 Tucker, George F.*

* Present.

The Bill in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Day of Boston moved to refer the

bill to the next General Court. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at thirty-five minutes past four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached. On the motion to refer the bill to the next General Court the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Day, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 56 yeas to 147 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Chester, Dwight
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clarke, George E.
 Clough, George S.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.

Messrs. Knowlton, George K.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Newell, Charles B.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Rice, William H.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tucker, George F.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Bliss, Frederic W.

Messrs. Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.

Messrs. Bucklin, Andrew J.	Messrs. Judd, Myron H.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Burke, James F.	Kelly, Charles A.
Butler, William M.	Kemp, Parker J.
Cannon, Patrick	Kittredge, Francis W.
Cannon, William	Knox, James W.
Carroll, Michael	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Carter, James H.	Lakin, James A.
Carter, Richard A.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Chance, Charles J.	Lewis, James A.
Charles, Salem D.	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Luby, Patrick B.
Coffey, John H.	Lynch, John B.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Danforth, John M.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Davis, Squire S.	McAnally, Frank
Dewey, Henry S.	McCarthy, Daniel
Edson, Nathan	McDonald, Peter J.
Ellis, Edward C.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Ensign, Charles S.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Fallon, J. Otis	McKenna, George B.
Fallon, Thomas F.	McLean, Isaac
Ferren, Myron J.	McLoughlin, John T.
Finney, Elkanah	McNamara, Jeremiah J.
Fletcher, Charles T.	McSolla, Richard F.
Flood, Nathan B.	Mellen, James H.
Frazer, Charles A.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Gale, John A.	Mooney, William L.
Gammons, Benjamin	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Goddard, Edward A.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Golding, John	Mott, Edward
Haggerty, Roger	Murray, Michael J.
Hall, Henry C.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Handley, Aaron C.	Oakes, William H.
Harding, N. Frank	O'Brien, John
Heffernan, Edward J.	O'Brien, John J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Olmstead, James M.
Hemenway, Augustus	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Herrod, Edward E.	Parker, James O.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Penney, Alonzo
Hobson, Charles H.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Hodges, William D.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Howe, Edward C.	Plummer, John M.
Howe, S. Augustus	Pratt, Amasa
Hunting, Amos	Presho, Edward W.
Hurley, John T.	Quincy, Josiah
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Rady, Andrew J.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Raftery, Patrick H.
Johnson, Henry H.	Ramage, James

Messrs. Read, Franklin F.	Messrs. Sullivan, Michael F.
Reid, James	Swallow, George N.
Richardson, Albert W.	Thurston, Lysander
Ripley, Samuel E.	Tilden, Charles A.
Rosnosky, Isaac	Tilton, Frank B.
Salter, John J.	Turner, Charles W.
Savage, Patrick J.	Turner, Henry E.
Shaw, Charles F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Smith, Charles S.	Waterman, Eben C.
Smith, Elvin L.	Weston, Thomas
Sohier, William D.	Whitney, Edwin
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Wier, Fred N.
Sprague, Charles F.	Worcester, Charles F.
Stearns, William H.	Wright, William J.
Stevens, William S.	

Yeas, 56 ; Nays, 147.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bicknell, Zechariah L.*	Messrs. Bright, Elmer H.
Perkins, George W.*	Withington, Nathan N.
Hinds, John F.*	Harriman, Charles H.
Howard, S. Edward	Howard, Timothy*
Sawyer, Samuel L.*	Richardson, Arthur C.
Gould, David E.	Quinn, Patrick J.*

• Present.

On the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 119 yeas to 74 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Brophy, James L.
Appleton, Francis H.	Brown, George H.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Buchholz, Herman
Bacheller, Charles M.	Buckley, William P.
Baker, Charles H.	Bucklin, Andrew J.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Bullock, Walter J. D.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Burke, James F.
Boodey, Charles H.	Butler, William M.
Breen, Daniel F.	Cannon, Patrick
Brock, Lemuel M.	Cannon, William

Messrs. Carroll, Michael
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gale, John A.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank

Messrs. McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Plummer, John M.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Reid, James
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Salter, John J.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Swallow, George N.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Babson, Fitz J.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clarke, George E.
 Clough, George S.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Edson, Nathan
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Hunting, Amos
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Keyes, Charles G.

Messrs. Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moore, Charles
 Newell, Charles B.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Worcester, Charles F.

Yeas, 119 ; Nays, 74.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Bright, Elmer H.
 Howard, Timothy *
 Rady, Andrew J. *

NAYS.

Messrs. Bicknell, Zechariah L. *
 Howard, S. Edward
 Henderson, Charles W.

* Present.

Messrs. Withington, Nathan N.	Messrs. Perkins, George W.*
Luther, Haile R.	Shaw, Charles F.*
McNamara, Jeremiah J.*	Lewis, James A.
Harriman, Charles H.	Hinds, John F.*
Ripley, Samuel E.*	Meade, William E.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Sawyer, Samuel L.*
Barrett, Harry H.*	Prouty, John E. O.
Quinn, Patrick J.*	Gould, David E.
Kirby, Albert C.	Tucker, George F.*

* Present.

The House, at ten minutes past five o'clock, adjourned, the rule requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at a quarter before five o'clock having been previously suspended, on motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly.

WEDNESDAY, May 20, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions and remonstrance were placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Petition, presented by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, of W. L. Faxon and others, and by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, of Levi S. Gould and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Henry C. Spaulding, for the incorporation of the Boston Railway Company. Boston Railway Company.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston against the Bill now pending before the Legislature to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors. Lists of personal property.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hunting of East Bridge-water, of B. F. Bowman for the allowance of a bounty from the treasury of the Commonwealth to B. F. Bowman and others, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hunting, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference. East Bridge-water bounties.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, a Resolve instructing the Board of World's Fair Managers of Massachusetts to pay due regard to the traditions of New England. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Emery, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. World's Columbian Exposition.

Papers from the Senate.

Fisheries,—
uniformity of
laws relating to
food fishes.

Resolutions relating to the adoption of uniform laws for the protection of food fishes in the New England States, adopted by the Senate, were read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

State dairy
bureau.

A Bill to provide for the protection of dairy products and to establish a State dairy bureau (reported on an order and petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House petition had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule:—

Algonquin
club house.

Petition of Frederic W. Bliss for legislation relative to enforcing the right of the Commonwealth to compel the Algonquin Club to alter the front of its club house.

Taken from the Table.

Fisheries in the
Merrimack
River.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the time for the taking of shad and alewives in the Merrimack River, was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Control.

On motion of Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners and providing for the appointment of a Board of Gas and Electric Light Control, was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Town of Dan-
vers,—municipal
lighting.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Lynn, the Bill to legalize the action of the town of Danvers in establishing an electric light plant, and to enable said town of Danvers to generate and distribute electric light and power for public and private uses, was taken from the table, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill to provide for the appointment and removal of members of the board of prison commissioners, the warden and other officers of the State Prison, which motion prevailed by a vote of 53 to 37. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Prisons. Mr. Sohier of Beverly raised the point of order that the motion was in violation of Joint Rule 5, which provides that "no such recommitment shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March." The Speaker declared the point of order well taken. Mr. Bullock moved to suspend Joint Rule 5, which motion was lost by a vote of 55 to 37, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

Prison commissioners,—
State Prison.

Point of order.

Mr. Howe of Cambridge moved to amend the bill in section 1 by striking out in lines 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of said section the words "The board of prison commissioners are hereby given full power to appoint and for cause stated, after due hearing, to remove the warden, chaplain and physician and surgeon of the State Prison at Boston." After debate the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 81 to 27, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 95 yeas to 88 nays, as follows:—

Municipal
lighting.

YEAS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.
Austin, J. Lewis
Babson, Fitz J.
Baker, Charles H.
Barrett, Harry H.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bingham, Henry T.

Messrs. Bliss, Frederic W.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, George H.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Carpenter, George N.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Clark, Louis M.

Messrs. Clarke, George E.	Messrs. Marston, Dudley J.
Coburn, Clarence G.	McDonald, Peter J.
Corbett, Myron L.	Meade, William E.
Curtis, Francis C.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Day, Frederick B.	Moore, Charles
Dewey, Henry S.	Mott, Edward
Dyar, Perlie A.	Murray, Michael J.
Edson, Nathan	Olmstead, James M.
Ellis, Edward C.	Parker, James O.
Ensign, Charles S.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Fairbanks, John W.	Penney, Alonzo
Ferren, Myron J.	Perkins, George W.
Flood, Nathan B.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Golding, John	Pratt, Amasa
Hall, Henry C.	Prescho, Edward W.
Handley, Aaron C.	Prouty, John E. O.
Harding, N. Frank	Quincy, Josiah
Hemenway, Augustus	Ramage, James
Henderson, Charles W.	Reid, James
Hodges, William D.	Rice, William H.
Howard, S. Edward	Rosnosky, Isaac
Howe, Edward C.	Sohier, William D.
Hurley, John T.	Sprague, Charles F.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Stevens, William S.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Johnson, Henry H.	Swallow, George N.
Judd, Myron H.	Taft, Henry G.
Keyes, Charles G.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Thurston, Lysander
Kimball, John W.	Tucker, George F.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Turner, Henry E.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Lane, Hiram B.	Warren, Bentley W.
Langdon, Henry W.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Lewis, James A.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Longley, Henry C.	Wilson, William Power
Lord, Lucien	Withington, Nathan N.
Loud, John C.	Wright, William J.
Luther, Haile R.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Britton, Henry W.
Appleton, Francis H.	Brophy, James L.
Bennett, Frank P.	Buckley, William P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Burke, James F.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Cannon, Patrick
Boodey, Charles H.	Cannon, William
Breen, Daniel F.	Carroll, Michael
Bright, Elmer H.	Carter, James H. ;

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clough, George S.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.

Messrs. McFethries, John
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stearns, William H.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 95 ; Nays, 88.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Bacheller, Charles M.
 Maybaw, Ulysses E.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Salter, John J.*
 Hobson, Charles H.

* Present.

Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the amendment moved by him to insert a new section to be numbered section 18.

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 98 yeas to 74 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.

Austin, J. Lewis
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brown, George H.
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clarke, George E.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Coffey, John H.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Golding, John

Messrs. Hall, Henry C.

Handley, Aaron C.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Hodges, William D.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Lord, Lucien
 Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McFethries, John
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meade, William E.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Moore, Charles
 Mott, Edward
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, James O.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.

Messrs. Pickering, Benjamin P.	Messrs. Taft, Henry G.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Pratt, Amasa	Thurston, Lysander
Presho, Edward W.	Turner, Henry E.
Prouty, John E. O.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Quincy, Josiah	Warren, Bentley W.
Ramage, James	Wetherell, Barney T.
Reid, James	Wheaton, Henry C.
Rice, William H.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Sohier, William D.	Wilson, William Power
Sprague, Charles F.	Withington, Nathan N.
Swallow, George N.	Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Langdon, Henry W.
Appleton, Francis H.	Loud, John C.
Bennett, Frank P.	Luby, Patrick B.
Boodey, Charles H.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Britton, Henry W.	McAnally, Frank
Brophy, James L.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Buckley, William P.	McLean, Isaac
Burke, James F.	McLoughlin, John T.
Cannon, William	Mellen, James H.
Carroll, Michael	Monk, Hiram A.
Carter, James H.	Mooney, William L.
Carter, Richard A.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Chance, Charles J.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Clapp, James W.	Newell, Charles B.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	O'Brien, John
Clough, George S.	O'Brien, John J.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Davis, Squire S.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Fales, Nathan H.	Pomeroy, John P.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Fears, Isaac P.	Rady, Andrew J.
Gammons, Benjamin	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Read, Franklin F.
Giles, Joseph J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Gould, David E.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Haggerty, Roger	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Herrod, Edward E.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Savage, Patrick J.
Hinds, John F.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Horton, Everett S.	Smith, Elvin L.
Howe, Archibald M.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Hunting, Amos	Stearns, William H.
Kelly, Charles A.	Tilden, Charles A.
Knowlton, George K.	Tilton, Frank B.
Knox, James W.	Tuttle, William H. H.

Messrs. Weston, Thomas
White, Franklin B.

Messrs. Whitney, Edwin
Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 98 ; Nays, 74.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Clark, Louis M.	Messrs. Howard, Timothy*
Tucker, George F.	Tibbetts, Edwin M.*
Bachelor, Charles M.	Salter, John J.*
Rosenosky, Isaac	Harriman, Charles H.*
Murray, Michael J.*	Buchholz, Herman
Keyes, Charles G.	Keliher, Thomas J.*
Stevens, William S.	McFarland, Herbert A.*

* Present.

On the recurring question on the amendment, Mr. Barrett of Melrose (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park in the chair) moved to amend by substituting a new section, as follows :—

“ *Sect. 18.* Nothing herein shall be construed to take away, restrict or impair any rights of cities or towns which may now exist to revoke locations of wires, poles, conduits or pipes in, over or under their streets or ways : *provided, however,* that no city or town having within its limits the main gas works in the case of a gas plant, or the central lighting station in the case of an electric light plant, shall revoke any rights heretofore granted, or which may hereafter be granted, to any person or corporation engaged in the business of making, generating or distributing gas or electricity for sale for lighting purposes, after the first passage by the city council in the case of a city of the vote provided for by section two, or while such vote is pending in either branch thereof, or in the case of a town after the passage of the first vote provided for in section three, or after the calling of a town meeting at which the passage of such vote is included in the warrant ; *provided, however,* that in case in either a city or town the second vote provided for by this act shall fail of passage in accordance with this act, then such city or town may exercise all rights of revocation, if any, which it possessed prior to the passage of such first vote until such first vote is again passed, or pending or included in the warrant as above provided.

“ This provision shall not in any way impair the right to

revoke said locations on account of violation by such person or corporation of the terms or conditions upon which said rights, licenses or locations were granted.

“ And no such city or town having taken advantage of this act shall revoke any rights, licenses or locations granted as aforesaid to any such person or corporation unless for violation by such person or corporation of the terms or conditions upon which said rights, licenses or locations were granted.

“ The provisions of this section shall apply in the case of a city whether such revocation shall be made by both branches of the city government or by either branch thereof.”

The substitute was adopted, and the amendment as amended was adopted. After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, and the roll being called, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 175 yeas to 23 nays, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House. The vote was as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Appleton, Francis H.
Atkins, Edwin A.
Austin, J. Lewis
Barrett, Harry H.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Bill, Ledyard
Bingham, Henry T.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Britton, Henry W.
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Bucklin, Andrew J.
Bullard, Henry B.

Messrs. Bullock, Walter J. D.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carpenter, George N.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Carter, Richard A.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Child, Daniel R.
Clapp, James W.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clarke, George E.
Clough, George S.
Coffey, John H.
Converse, Morton E.
Corbett, Myron L.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Francis C.
Curtis, Samuel N.

Messrs. Davis, Squire S.

Day, Frederick B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gould, David E.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Loud, John C.

Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.

Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meade, William E.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moore, Charles
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Mott, Edward
 Newell, Charles B.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Plummer, John M.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Reid, James
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac

Messrs. Savage, Patrick J.	Messrs. Tuttle, William H. H.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Smith, Elvin L.	Warren, Bentley W.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Waterman, Eben C.
Sprague, Charles F.	Weston, Thomas
Stearns, William H.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Stevens, William S.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Sullivan, Michael F.	White, Franklin B.
Taft, Henry G.	Whitney, Edwin
Thomas, Harrison O.	Wier, Fred N.
Thompson, Edwin D.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Thurston, Lysander	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Tilden, Charles A.	Withington, Nathan N.
Tilton, Frank B.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Tucker, George F.	Worcester, Charles F.
Turner, Charles W.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.	Messrs. Marston, Dudley J.
Bliss, Frederic W.	McDonald, Peter J.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Chance, Charles J.	Murray, Michael J.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Penney, Alonzo
Dewey, Henry S.	Pratt, Amasa
Fairbanks, John W.	Ramage, James
Gillett, Frederick H.	Shaw, Charles F.
Golding, John	Sohier, William D.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Turner, Henry E.
Kimball, John W.	Wright, William J.
Lane, Hiram B.	

Yeas, 175; Nays, 23.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Mellen, James H.*	Messrs. Dickinson, Henry S.
Tibbetts, Edwin A.*	Hodges, William D.
Greene, Edward W.	Longley, Henry C.*
Salter, John J.*	Bachelor, Charles M.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Henderson, Charles W.*

* Present.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, the Bill relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It

Sale of articles
containing
arsenic.

Messrs. Davis, Squire S.

Day, Frederick B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gould, David E.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Loud, John C.

Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.

Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEtrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFetbries, John
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meade, William E.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moore, Charles
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Mott, Edward
 Newell, Charles B.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Plummer, John M.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Presbo, Edward W.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Reid, James
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac

Messrs. Savage, Patrick J.
Sawyer, Samuel L.
Smith, Elvin L.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Sprague, Charles F.
Stearns, William H.
Stevens, William S.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Taft, Henry G.
Thomas, Harrison O.
Thompson, Edwin D.
Thurston, Lysander
Tilden, Charles A.
Tilton, Frank B.
Tucker, George F.
Turner, Charles W.

Messrs. Tuttle, William H. H.
Wardwell, J. Otis
Warren, Bentley W.
Waterman, Eben C.
Weston, Thomas
Wetherell, Barney T.
Wheaton, Henry C.
White, Franklin B.
Whitney, Edwin
Wier, Fred N.
Wilder, Aaron O.
Williams, Hezekiah W.
Withington, Nathan N.
Woodsum, B. Herbert
Worcester, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Chance, Charles J.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Dewey, Henry S.
Fairbanks, John W.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Golding, John
Hickox, Stephen A.
Kimball, John W.
Lane, Hiram B.

Messrs. Marston, Dudley J.
McDonald, Peter J.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Murray, Michael J.
Penney, Alonzo
Pratt, Amasa
Ramage, James
Shaw, Charles F.
Sohier, William D.
Turner, Henry E.
Wright, William J.

Yeas, 175 ; Nays, 23.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Mellen, James H.*
Tibbetts, Edwin A.*
Greene, Edward W.
Salter, John J.*
Rideout, Malcolm E.

NAYS.

Messrs. Dickinson, Henry S.
Hodges, William D.
Longley, Henry C.*
Bacheller, Charles M.
Henderson, Charles W.*

* Present.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, the Bill relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It

Sale of articles
containing
arsenic.

was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 27, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Appropriation
bill.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act making an appropriation for the State House loan sinking fund, 1901, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Ladd.

Taunton Lunatic
Hospital.

On motion of Mr. Horton of Attleborough, the Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 27, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, for the Carney Hospital and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years in cities and towns where opportunity is given for industrial education ; and

To amend the charter of the city of Cambridge ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 439 of the Acts of the year 1890, being an act to regulate the incorporation of clubs, by striking out the words "hereafter incorporated" in the second line thereof, was accepted.

The Bill relative to bonds in bastardy cases ; and the Resolves :

Providing for the payment of current expenses and for the erection of a new laundry and boiler-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

To provide for collecting, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops of the period of the revolutionary war ; and

Relative to the marking of places dangerous to yachts and small boats ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish a nautical training school ; and the Resolve providing for the sale of a portion of land upon which the State Normal School at Westfield is being erected and of a dwelling-house situated on said land ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Spaulding for authority to build subterranean railways in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, and sundry petitions in aid of the same, was further considered.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend by substituting a " Bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company."

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 7, as follows :—

"Sect. 7. Unless the sum of two million dollars shall have been subscribed to the capital stock of the said company and ten per centum thereof paid in in cash to the treasurer thereof, within one year after this act shall take effect, this act shall become null and void."

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 8, as follows :—

"Sect. 8. All rights and powers granted by this act shall be void, unless said company shall build to the satisfaction of the railroad commissioners, before July 1, 1893, at least two miles of underground railway, as authorized by this act."

The amendments were severally adopted.

After debate on the question on substituting the bill, as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the roll being called, the bill, as amended, was substituted by a vote of 96 yeas to 50 nays, and was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading. The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Barrett, Harry H.
Bill, Ledyard
Bingham, Henry T.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buchholz, Herman
Bucklin, Andrew J.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Burke, James F.
Butler, William M.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Chance, Charles J.
Child, Daniel R.
Clapp, James W.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clough, George S.
Converse, Morton E.
Corbett, Myron L.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Davis, Squire S.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Edson, Nathan
Fairbanks, John W.
Fletcher, Charles T.
Flood, Nathan B.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Golding, John
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Henderson, Charles W.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hickox, Stephen A.
Horton, Everett S.

Messrs. Howe, Archibald M.
Howe, S. Augustus
Hunting, Amos
Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Johnson, Henry H.
Judd, Myron H.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kimball, John W.
Kittredge, Francis W.
Knowlton, George K.
Knox, James W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Loud, John C.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McDonald, Peter J.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McFarland, Herbert A.
McFethries, John
McLoughlin, John T.
McSolla, Richard F.
Mellen, James H.
Monk, Hiram A.
Murray, Michael J.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John J.
Olmstead, James M.
Parker, James O.
Pickering, Benjamin P.
Pomeroy, John P.
Powers, Wilbur H.
Presho, Edward W.
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rady, Andrew J.
Read, Franklin F.
Richardson, Albert W.
Ripley, Samuel E.
Shaw, Charles F.
Smith, Charles S.
Smith, Elvin L.

Messrs. Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Turner, Charles W.

Messrs. Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wilson, William Power
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clarke, George E.
 Coffey, John H.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Hinds, John F.
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Edward C.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.

Messrs. Longley, Henry C.
 Lynch, John B.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 Meade, William E.
 Moore, Charles
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Newell, Charles B.
 Perkins, George W.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Reid, James
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Tucker, George F.
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wright, William J.

Yeas, 96 ; Nays, 50.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.*
 Day, Frederick B.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Hartshorn, James A.
 Turner, Henry E.

The Bill to secure the publication of election expenses was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. A motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill that the bill be laid upon the table was lost, and, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 25, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Isaac A. Williams and others for legislation providing that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston fire department, was taken up, and pending the question on its acceptance, the House,—

On motion of Mr. McFarland of Wales, at nineteen minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 21, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor relative to the claim of Theodore A. Davis against the Commonwealth in the matter of the "direct tax" received from the United States, and transmitting an opinion of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth in relation to the legality of said claim : —

Theodore A.
Davis.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 21, 1891.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

I call to your attention the claim of Theodore E. Davis against the Commonwealth for about \$14,000, being two per cent. of the amount received by the Commonwealth from the United States by the refund of the direct tax under the act of Congress approved March 2, 1891. The original papers in reference to said claim have been submitted by me to the Executive Council, and are now upon their files. I submit herewith a copy of the opinion of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth recently given to the Governor and Council in answer to their questions as to the legality of the claim and the authority to pay it without further legislation.

The Attorney-General is of the opinion in substance : —

First. That by the terms of the agreement between the Commonwealth and said Davis, his claim, without further legislation, can only be paid out of the money received by the Commonwealth from the United States.

Second. That notwithstanding the express provision of said act of Congress refunding this money, which declares "that no part of the money hereby appropriated shall be paid out by the governor of any State or territory or any other person to any attorney or agent under any contract for services now existing or heretofore made between the representatives of any State or territory and any attorney or agent;" and notwithstanding the further fact that the act requires the Legislature

of a State, before receiving the money, to pass a resolution accepting the trusts imposed by the act, which was done in this Commonwealth by Resolve 46 of this year, — yet, whatever moral obligation these facts impose upon the Commonwealth, they do not constitute any legal objection to the payment of the money so received.

Third. That the agreement between the Commonwealth and said Davis is not illegal for champerty, nor, so far as any facts are disclosed by the papers submitted to him, because of the character of the services rendered by said Davis.

If the opinion of the Attorney-General is correct, and it is entitled to most respectful consideration, the claim of said Davis can legally be paid out of the money so received. But such payment would be in direct violation of the act of Congress, would be appropriating a part of the money received under said act to a use expressly forbidden by it, and, in my judgment, would be a breach of good faith on the part of the Commonwealth to the United States, which, even if without remedy by the United States, is none the less improper and inexcusable.

With this firm conviction, I shall refuse my sanction, to the full extent of any power within my control, to the payment of any part of this money in violation of the act of Congress, for a purpose prohibited by it. I do not believe that any prudent individual, receiving a fund clothed with the conditions and trusts imposed by this act of Congress, would assume the responsibility of paying out of it such a claim without the sanction of an express judicial decision.

Either of two remedies is then open to Mr. Davis, if his claim is just and legal: —

First. He may institute such proceedings in court as he deems expedient to compel the payment of his claim.

Second. The Legislature can make a special appropriation for its payment.

Believing it but just to all interests concerned that this matter should be brought formally to your attention, in order that you may take such action as you deem expedient, I now submit it for your consideration.

I desire, however, to be distinctly understood as making no recommendation in favor of action looking to the payment of this claim.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the message, with the accompanying document, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the clerk was directed to have printed all the documents pertaining to the matter.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the settlement of insolvent estates in certain cases after the decease of the original assignee, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Settlement of insolvent estates in certain cases.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill relating to the departments of the city of Boston and the officers and boards in charge thereof.

City of Boston, — departments and officers and boards in charge thereof.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to assent to the purpose of and to accept the grants of moneys authorized by the act of Congress, approved Aug. 30, 1890, entitled "An act to apply the proceeds from the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, established under the provisions of an act of Congress approved July 2, 1862," ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Bill to assent to the purpose of and to accept the grants of money authorized by Congress, under an act entitled 'An act to apply the proceeds from the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.'" Read and ordered to a second reading.

Endowment and support of agricultural colleges and mechanic arts.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of the Charles River commission ought to pass with the following amendment: Strike out all after the word "commission," in section 2, line 7, and insert in place thereof the following: "Said commission may expend a sum not exceeding \$3,000 in making their investigations, which sum shall be paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth on properly approved vouchers presented to the auditor, in the same manner as other claims against the Commonwealth. The term of office of the commissioners provided for in this act shall expire within two years from the date of the passage thereof." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Charles River commission.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Wheaton of Worcester, the reports of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate:

Corporation
taxes,—municipal
privileges.

On an order relative to abolishing the corporation tax of corporations exercising municipal privileges, and so taxing such corporations that the towns and cities in which such municipal privileges are exercised shall receive the entire tax; and

On an order relative to amending the law concerning taxes of corporations so as to provide that such taxes shall be returned to cities and towns in which they exercise municipal privileges or have locations or places of business, in proportion to the amount of business carried on in each town in which they do business, or in proportion to the extent of the municipal franchises enjoyed in each city or town, or in such other proportion as the commissioner of taxation, or some other board, may deem equitable;

Were severally taken from the table, and were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Old Colony
Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William L. Mooney for legislation to compel the Old Colony Railroad Company to elevate a certain portion of their road-bed and tracks within the city of Boston, was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 25, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Fisheries in
Buzzard's Bay.

On motion of Mr. Babson of Gloucester, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, so as to give equal rights to all citizens to take certain fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Taxation of the
property and
franchises of
street railway
companies.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Quincy moved to amend by substituting a "Resolve in relation to the bill

relating to the taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies." The resolve was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, the Bill relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 25, which motion was lost. Mr. Bennett further moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Assessors,—
furnishing of
blanks.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, on the question on reference to the next General Court, and the roll being called, the motion to refer to the next General Court prevailed by a vote of 97 yeas to 91 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Dyar, Perlle A.
Baker, Charles H.	Ellis, Edward C.
Barrett, Richard F.	Emery, S. Hopkins
Bennett, Frank P.	Ensign, Charles S.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Fairbanks, John W.
Bingham, Henry T.	Fallon, J. Otis
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Ferren, Myron J.
Breen, Daniel F.	Fears, Isaac P.
Bright, Elmer H.	Fletcher, Charles T.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Flood, Nathan B.
Brown, George H.	Giles, Joseph J.
Butler, William M.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Chance, Charles J.	Golding, John
Charles, Salem D.	Greene, Edward W.
Chester, Dwight	Handley, Aaron C.
Clarke, George E.	Harding, N. Frank
Coburn, Clarence G.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Coffey, John H.	Hevey, Thomas D.
Converse, Morton E.	Hinds, John F.
Curtis, Francis C.	Hodges, William D.
Curtis, Samuel N.	Howe, S. Augustus
Davis, Squire S.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Day, Frederick B.	Keyes, Charles G.

Messrs. Kilmer, Frederick M.	Messrs. Quincy, Josiah
Kimball, John W.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Lakin, James A.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Lane, Hiram B.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Lane, Howard G.	Sohier, William D.
Lawrence, William B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lewis, James A.	Sprague, Charles F.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Stevens, William S.
Longley, Henry C.	Swallow, George N.
Luther, Haile R.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Lynch, John B.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Marston, Dudley J.	Tilden, Charles A.
McCarthy, Daniel	Turner, Henry E.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Tuttle, William H. H.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Wardwell, J. Otis
McFethries, John	Warren, Bentley W.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Weston, Thomas
McSolla, Richard F.	White, Franklin B.
Meade, William E.	Wilson, William Power
Penney, Alonzo	Withington, Nathan N.
Perkins, George W.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Pickering, Benjamin P.	Worcester, Charles F.
Pratt, Amasa	Wright, William J.
Presho, Edward W.	

NATS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Clapp, James W.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Austin, J. Lewis	Clough, George S.
Babson, Fitz J.	Corbett, Myron L.
Barrett, Harry H.	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Bill, Ledyard	Danforth, John M.
Boodey, Charles H.	Edson, Nathan
Britton, Henry W.	Fales, Nathan H.
Brophy, James L.	Finney, Elkanah
Buchholz, Herman	Frazer, Charles A.
Buckley, William P.	Gale, John A.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Gammons, Benjamin
Bullard, Henry B.	Gardner, Arthur H.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Gould, David E.
Burke, James F.	Hall, Henry C.
Cannon, William	Hartshorn, James A.
Capen, Robert P.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Henderson, Charles W.
Carroll, Michael	Hickox, Stephen A.
Carter, James H.	Howard, Timothy
Carter, Richard A.	Howe, Archibald M.
Child, Daniel R.	Howe, Edward C.

Messrs. Hunting, Amos	Messrs. Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hurley, John T.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Pomeroy, John P.
Judd, Myron H.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Rady, Andrew J.
Knowlton, George K.	Read, Franklin F.
Knox, James W.	Reid, James
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Rice, William H.
Langdon, Henry W.	Richardson, Albert W.
Lord, Lucien	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Luby, Patrick B.	Smith, Elvin L.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Stearns, William H.
McAnally, Frank	Taft, Henry G.
McDonald, Peter J.	Thomas, Harrison O.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Thurston, Lysander
McKenna, George B.	Tilton, Frank B.
McLoughlin, John T.	Turner, Charles W.
Monk, Hiram A.	Waterman, Eben C.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Mott, Edward	Wheaton, Henry C.
Murray, Michael J.	Whitney, Edwin
Newell, Charles B.	Wilder, Aaron O.
O'Brien, John	Williams, Hezekiah W.
O'Brien, John J.	

Yeas, 97; Nays, 91.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bartlett, Robert G.*	Messrs. Savage, Patrick J.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Parker, James O.*
Wier, Fred N.	Hobson, Charles H. *

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time. Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to refer the bill to the next General Court. After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, the motion to refer to the next General Court prevailed by a vote of 87 to 78.

Assessors, —
lists of personal
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On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, the Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of Dan-
vers, — municipal
lighting.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, the Bill to legalize the action of the town of Danvers in establishing an electric light plant, and to enable said town of Danvers to generate and distribute electric light and power for public and private uses, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was ordered to a third reading.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

On motions of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, and providing for the appointment of a Board of Gas and Electric Light Control, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 28, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Wild fowl.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John S. Nicholson and others for legislation permitting the shooting of wild fowl between high and low water mark from November 1 to April 15 was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the commissioner of corporations to change the names of corporations (which originated in the House); and

To authorize sentence in criminal cases in the Superior Court where an appeal appears frivolous (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for the election of twelve aldermen-at-large on a general ticket; or so as to provide for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six at large on a general ticket, was accepted, in concurrence. ^{Orders of the day.}

The Bill to promote the establishment of benevolent associations was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a board of sewage commissioners for the city of Woburn, and to define their powers and duties, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for collecting, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops who served in the revolutionary war was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolves :

Providing for the payment of current expenses and for the erection of a new laundry and boiler-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital; and

Relative to the marking of places dangerous to yachts and small boats;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Isaac A. Williams and others for legislation providing that twelve hours may constitute a day's work in the Boston Fire Department, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to amend by substituting a "Resolve to provide for an inquiry into the expediency of limiting the hours of labor in the Boston Fire Department."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 61 to 77, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by striking out the words "The mayor of the city of Boston," and inserting in place thereof the words "The mayors of the cities within the Commonwealth;" also a section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Sec. 2.* This act shall take effect at the first election of mayor after this act shall be accepted by a majority vote at any annual municipal election of any city in the Commonwealth."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, the amendments were severally rejected. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 69 yeas to 105 nays, and notice was sent to the Senate. The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Anderson, Stephen	Messrs.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
	Barrett, Harry H.		Hemenway, Augustus
	Bicknell, Zechariah L.		Hevey, Thomas D.
	Bliss, Frederic W.		Hinds, John F.
	Breen, Daniel F.		Howe, Archibald M.
	Britton, Henry W.		Keliher, Thomas J.
	Brock, Lemuel M.		Kenrick, John, Jr.
	Bullock, Walter J. D.		Kittredge, Francis W.
	Charles, Salem D.		Langdon, Henry W.
	Chester, Dwight		Lanigan, Andrew M.
	Clark, Louis M.		Luby, Patrick B.
	Clough, George S.		Lynch, John B.
	Crowley, Jeremiah J.		Mahoney, Cornelius E.
	Curtis, Francis C.		Marston, Dudley J.
	Day, Frederick B.		McAnally, Frank
	Ellis, Edward C.		McCarthy, Daniel
	Fairbanks, John W.		McEnaney, Thomas O.
	Fales, Nathan H.		McFarland, Herbert A.
	Fallon, J. Otis		McSolla, Richard F.
	Ferren, Myron J.		Meade, William E.
	Goddard, Edward A.		Moore, Charles
	Haggerty, Roger		O'Neil, Eugene J.
	Hall, Henry C.		Parker, James O.
	Handley, Aaron C.		Quincy, Josiah
	Heffernan, Edward J.		Quinn, Patrick J.

Messrs. Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Read, Franklin F.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.

Messrs. Sullivan, Michael F.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Turner, Henry E.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wier, Fred N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Worcester, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Austin, J. Lewis
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brophy, James L.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Burke, James F.
 Butler, William M.
 Cannon, William
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Coffey, John H.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gale, John A.

Messrs. Gammons, Benjamin
 Golding, John
 Greene, Edward W.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Hodges, William D.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFethries, John
 McKenna, George B.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward

Messrs. Newell, Charles B.	Messrs. Shaw, Charles F.
O'Brien, John	Smith, Elvin L.
Olmstead, James M.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Perkins, George W.	Swallow, George N.
Pickering, Benjamin P.	Taft, Henry G.
Plummer, John M.	Tilton, Frank B.
Presho, Edward W.	Tucker, George F.
Rady, Andrew J.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Reid, James	Waterman, Eben C.
Rice, William H.	Weston, Thomas
Richardson, Albert W.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Salter, John J.	Wilson, William Power
Savage, Patrick J.	

Yeas, 69 ; Nays, 105.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. McDonald, Peter J.*	Messrs. Howard, Timothy
Cannon, Patrick	Tilden, Charles A.
Ensign, Charles S.*	Bill, Ledyard*

* Present.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling railroad companies to maintain safe crossings where such are necessary to enable owners to reach and use their land, unless such land has been fully paid for by such companies, was considered.

Mr. Hinds of Webster moved to amend by substituting a " Bill to require railroad corporations to maintain crossings in certain cases."

Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute, in lines 8, 9 and 10, by striking out the words " the railroad has fully paid all the damages sustained by the person or persons owning such lot or tract of land," and inserting in place thereof the words " such land has been fully paid for by said company."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1891.

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The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank, Mechanics' Savings Bank and People's Savings Bank for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendment in respect to the division of net profits of savings banks, was considered.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to amend by substituting a "Bill providing for the payment of ordinary dividends by savings banks."

Pending which question, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, at twenty minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 22, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Emery of Taunton, a member of the House.

Papers from the Senate.

State commissions.

A report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to State commissions (Mr. McNary of the Senate, and Messrs. Hemenway of Canton, Carter of Wakefield and Fallon of Boston, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bond investment companies.

The House Bill to prohibit the issuing of certain obligations came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Taken from the Table.

Transportation of members.

On motions of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the Bill relating to the transportation of members of the General Court was taken from the table and was referred to the next General Court.

Railroads, — brakemen on freight trains.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the number of brakemen on freight trains was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 27, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

Mercantile agencies.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to tax mercantile agencies, and especially foreign agencies doing business in this Common-

wealth, was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 29, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending chapter 49 of the Public Statutes, relating to the laying out and discontinuance of highways, was taken from the table and accepted.

Laying out and
discontinuance
of highways.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bail fees in certain cases of drunkenness or other misdemeanors was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 26, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bail fees in
cases of drunk-
eness.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Employers' Liability Act was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 28, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Employers'
liability.

On motion of the same gentleman, the communication received from the Insurance Commissioner, in compliance with an order of the House of Representatives dated April 22, transmitting a summary of the statistics of membership, receipts, expenditures, etc., for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, of the assessment endowment corporations organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, as amended by chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890, and transacting the business prescribed in section 8 of that chapter (House, No. 497), was taken from the table and placed on file.

Assessment
endowment
corporations.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill providing for the compensation of the members of the Legislature was taken from the table and considered, the question being on its engrossment. On this question, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 78 yeas to 85 nays, as follows : —

Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Howard, Timothy
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Keliher, Thomas J.

Messrs. Knox, James W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Loud, John C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McKenna, George B.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Murray, Michael J.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Plummer, John M.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Austin, J. Lewis
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bright, Elmer H.

Messrs. Butler, William M.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight

Messrs. Clapp, James W.	Messrs. McLoughlin, John T.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Meade, William E.
Clough, George S.	Moore, Charles
Curtis, Francis C.	Mott, Edward
Danforth, John M.	Newell, Charles B.
Day, Frederick B.	O'Brien, John J.
Dewey, Henry S.	Olmstead, James M.
Edson, Nathan	Parker, James O.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Perkins, George W.
Ensign, Charles S.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Fales, Nathan H.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Finney, Elkanah	Pratt, Amasa
Gale, John A.	Presho, Edward W.
Greene, Edward W.	Read, Franklin F.
Handley, Aaron C.	Reid, James
Hemenway, Augustus	Richardson, Arthur C.
Henderson, Charles W.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hinds, John F.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hobson, Charles H.	Shaw, Charles F.
Horton, Everett S.	Sohier, William D.
Howe, Archibald M.	Sprague, Charles F.
Hunting, Amos	Stearns, William H.
Johnson, Henry H.	Stevens, William S.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Swallow, George N.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Taft, Henry G.
Kimball, John W.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Kirby, Albert C.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Thurston, Lysander
Knowlton, George K.	Tucker, George F.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Lane, Hiram B.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Lewis, James A.	White, Franklin B.
Longley, Henry C.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Wilson, William Power
McDonald, Peter J.	Worcester, Charles F.
McFarland, Herbert A.	

Yeas, 78 ; Nays, 85.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Salter, John J.	Messrs. Quincy, Josiah*
Frazer, Charles A.	Wardwell, J. Otis*
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Wheaton, Henry C.*

* Present.

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Bullock, Walter J. D.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Gammons, Benjamin
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Howard, Timothy
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Keliher, Thomas J.

Messrs. Knox, James W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Loud, John C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McKenna, George B.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Murray, Michael J.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Plummer, John M.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Austin, J. Lewis
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bright, Elmer H.

Messrs. Butler, William M.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight

Messrs. Clapp, James W.	Messrs. McLoughlin, John T.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Meade, William E.
Clough, George S.	Moore, Charles
Curtis, Francis C.	Mott, Edward
Danforth, John M.	Newell, Charles B.
Day, Frederick B.	O'Brien, John J.
Dewey, Henry S.	Olmstead, James M.
Edson, Nathan	Parker, James O.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Perkins, George W.
Ensign, Charles S.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Fales, Nathan H.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Finney, Elkanah	Pratt, Amasa
Gale, John A.	Presho, Edward W.
Greene, Edward W.	Read, Franklin F.
Handley, Aaron C.	Reid, James
Hemenway, Augustus	Richardson, Arthur C.
Henderson, Charles W.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hinds, John F.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hobson, Charles H.	Shaw, Charles F.
Horton, Everett S.	Sohier, William D.
Howe, Archibald M.	Sprague, Charles F.
Hunting, Amos	Stearns, William H.
Johnson, Henry H.	Stevens, William S.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Swallow, George N.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Taft, Henry G.
Kimball, John W.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Kirby, Albert C.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Thurston, Lysander
Knowlton, George K.	Tucker, George F.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Lane, Hiram B.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Lewis, James A.	White, Franklin B.
Longley, Henry C.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Wilson, William Power
McDonald, Peter J.	Worcester, Charles F.
McFarland, Herbert A.	

Yeas, 78 ; Nays, 85.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Salter, John J.	Messrs. Quincy, Josiah*
Frazer, Charles A.	Wardwell, J. Otis*
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Wheaton, Henry C.*

* Present.

Reconsideration.

City of Boston,
— term of office
of mayor.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the House refused to order to a third reading the Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston, and moved to postpone consideration of the motion to reconsider until Friday, May 29, which latter motion was lost. After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the motion to reconsider was lost.

Taxation, —
duties of
assessors.

Mr. Edson of Barnstable moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the House referred to the next General Court the Bill relating to the duties of assessors and the furnishing of blanks.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was rejected by a vote of 76 yeas to 86 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen

Atkins, Edwin A.

Barrett, Harry H.

Boodey, Charles H.

Breen, Daniel F.

Brophy, James L.

Buchholz, Herman

Bullock, Walter J. D.

Burke, James F.

Cannon, Patrick

Cannon, William

Carter, James H.

Carter, Richard A.

Chance, Charles J.

Clapp, James W.

Coffey, John H.

Crowley, Jeremiah J.

Danforth, John M.

Edson, Nathan

Fales, Nathan H.

Fallon, J. Otis

Finney, Elkanah

Gale, John A.

Gammons, Benjamin

Goddard, Edward A.

Messrs. Golding, John

Greene, Edward W.

Haggerty, Roger

Heffernan, Edward J.

Hevey, Thomas D.

Hobson, Charles H.

Howard, Timothy

Hunting, Amos

Hurley, John T.

Johnson, Henry H.

Keliher, Thomas J.

Knowlton, George K.

Knox, James W.

Ladd, Nathaniel W.

Lanigan, Andrew M.

Lomasney, Joseph P.

Mahoney, Cornelius E.

Mayhew, Ulysses E.

McAnally, Frank

McCarthy, Daniel

McDonald, Peter J.

McEttrick, Michael J.

McFarland, Herbert A.

McKenna, George B.

McLoughlin, John T.

Messrs. McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Messrs. Quinn, Patrick J.
Mellen, James H.	Rady, Andrew J.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Richardson, Albert W.
Murray, Michael J.	Savage, Patrick J.
Newell, Charles B.	Smith, Elvin L.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Sullivan, Michael F.
O'Brien, John	Thomas, Harrison O.
O'Brien, John J.	Thurston, Lysander
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Waterman, Eben C.
Parker, James O.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Peterson, Benjamin F.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Prouty, John E. O.	Wilson, William Power

NAYS.

Messrs. Austin, J. Lewis	Messrs. Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Babson, Fitz J.	Keyes, Charles G.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Baker, Charles H.	Kimball, John W.
Barrett, Richard F.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Bennett, Frank P.	Lakin, James A.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Lewis, James A.
Bingham, Henry T.	Longley, Henry C.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Loud, John C.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Luby, Patrick B.
Britton, Henry W.	Luther, Haile R.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Lynch, John B.
Butler, William M.	Marston, Dudley J.
Charles, Salem D.	McLean, Isaac
Chester, Dwight	McSolla, Richard F.
Clark, Louis M.	Meade, William E.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Moore, Charles
Curtis, Francis C.	Mott, Edward
Davis, Squire S.	Penney, Alonzo
Day, Frederick B.	Perkins, George W.
Dewey, Henry S.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Ellis, Edward C.	Plummer, John M.
Emery, S. Hopkins	Pratt, Amasa
Ensign, Charles S.	Presho, Edward W.
Fairbanks, John W.	Quincy, Josiah
Fears, Isaac P.	Read, Franklin F.
Giles, Joseph J.	Reid, James
Hall, Henry C.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Handley, Aaron C.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Hartshorn, James A.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Shaw, Charles F.
Hemenway, Augustus	Sohier, William D.
Hinds, John F.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Howard, S. Edward	Sprague, Charles F.
Howe, Archibald M.	Stearns, William H.

Messrs. Stevens, William S.	Messrs. Tuttle, William H. H.
Swallow, George N.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Taft, Henry G.	Warren, Bentley W.
Thompson, Edwin D.	Weston, Thomas
Tibbetts, Edwin A.	White, Franklin B.
Tilden, Charles A.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Tucker, George F.	Worcester, Charles F.
Turner, Henry E.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 76 ; Nays, 86.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Howe, Edward C.	Messrs. Lawrence, William B.*
McEnaney, Thomas O.*	Powers, Wilbur H.
Wilder, Aaron O.*	Fletcher, Charles T.
Child, Daniel R.*	Oakes, William H.
Carroll, Michael*	Flood, Nathan B.
Buckley, William P.*	Appleton, Francis H.
Corbett, Myron L.	Lane, Hiram B.*
Monk, Hiram A.*	McFethries, John
Mooney, William L.*	Gillett, Frederick H.

* Present.

Taxation, —
lists of personal
property.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the House referred to the next General Court the Bill to enforce a penalty for failure to bring in a list of personal property to the assessors. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved the previous question, which was lost. Mr. Mellen moved to postpone the motion to reconsider until Monday, May 25. The motion to postpone was adopted by a vote of 69 to 66.

Discharged from the Orders.

Town of
Danvers, —
municipal
lighting.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, the Bill to legalize the action of the town of Danvers in establishing an electric light plant, and to enable said town of Danvers to generate and distribute electric light and power for public and private uses, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, the Bill relating to the employment of prisoners was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

Employment
of prisoners.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the Bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 27, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Boston Railway
Company.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to establish a board of commissioners for revising and amending the laws relating to corporations and taxation, and for promoting uniformity between the taxation and corporation laws of this Commonwealth and of other States, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was ordered to a third reading.

Taxation, —
commission to
revise and
amend the tax
laws.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Resolve in relation to the Bill relating to the taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was ordered to a third reading.

Taxation on the
property and
franchises of
street railway
companies.

On motion of Mr. Hevey of Woburn, the Bill to provide for the appointment of a board of sewage commissioners for the city of Woburn, and to define their powers and duties, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

City of Woburn,
— board of
sewage com-
missioners.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for the appointment of probation officers ; and
To assist the town of Truro in maintaining a section of
its county highway known as Beach Point Road ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to
the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of Scituate was read a second time and was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank, Mechanics' Savings Bank and People's Savings Bank for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendment in respect to the division of net profits of savings banks, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on the acceptance of the report.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Worcester of Townsend, the pending bill, moved by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke as a substitute, was adopted by a vote of 84 to 34, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for Monday next for a second reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company was taken up. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, at thirty-six minutes past one o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, May 25, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hinds of Webster, of the selectmen of the town of Webster that the proceedings of a meeting of said town held in the present year may be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hinds, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of
Webster,—
town meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Goddard of Orange, of a special committee of the town of Orange, that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motion of Mr. Goddard, the 12th and 9th joint rules were suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee may direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Orange,—
water supply.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill to amend section 20 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to reinsurance, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended in section 1, line 3, by inserting after the word "amended" the words "by inserting after the word 'Commonwealth,' in the sixth line of said section, the words: 'provided, however, that if it shall be found impossible to obtain in the companies authorized to transact business in this Commonwealth a sufficient amount of insurance to cover any single risk, reinsurance of policies upon such risk may be per-

Reinsurance.

mitted in companies not so authorized; and whenever any such reinsurance shall be transacted the company effecting the same shall make a sworn report thereof to the Insurance Commissioner at the time of filing its annual statement and at such other times as he may request, and such reinsurance shall not reduce the reserve which would otherwise be required on account of the original policy, or reduce the taxes which would otherwise be chargeable, or increase the amount it is authorized to have at risk in any town or fire insurance district; ”

Also by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following new title, “An Act relating to reinsurance in companies not authorized to do insurance business in this Commonwealth.”

The House concurred in the amendments and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

World's Fair, —
board of man-
agers for Massa-
chusetts.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House “Resolve instructing the Board of World's Fair Managers of Massachusetts to pay due regard to the traditions of New England” (introduced on leave) had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Reports of Committees.

City of Quincy,
— water sup-
ply.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (recommitted) to authorize the city of Quincy to introduce a public water supply ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Mr. Cooke of the Senate, and Messrs. Finney of Plymouth, Howe of Gardner, Smith of Mansfield, and Burke of Quincy, of the House, dissenting). Read and ordered to a second reading.

Fees in district
and municipal
courts.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the fees to be paid in the district and municipal courts in the city of Boston ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Grade cross-
ings, — Old
Colony Rail-
road.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William L. Mooney, for legisla-

tion to compel the Old Colony Railroad Company to elevate a certain portion of their road-bed and tracks within the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 29, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, the Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 29, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Collateral inheritance tax.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to establish a board of commissioners for revising and amending the laws relating to corporations and taxation, and for promoting uniformity between the taxation and corporation laws of this Commonwealth and of other States, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of the same gentleman, Rule 15 was also suspended.

Taxation, — commission to revise and codify the tax laws.

Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relative to bonds in bastardy cases was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to secure the publication of election expenses was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, being the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, it was voted to close debate at a quarter before four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. Finney of Plymouth moved to amend in section 25 by adding at the end thereof the words "except as herein provided;" also, in section 31, line 17, by inserting after the word "to" the words "the area of land located upon under section 4 of this act to be ascertained by;" also, in line 48 of the same section, by inserting after the word "act" the words "the supreme judicial court shall have jurisdiction in equity to decree the distribution of any money payable under this section;" also, in lines 54 and 55 of the same section, strike out the words "to the Commonwealth and the county of Barnstable," and insert in place thereof the words "as aforesaid."

These several amendments were severally rejected, the vote on the second amendment being 66 to 68.

Subsequently, the vote whereby the amendments were rejected was reconsidered, on motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, and the question recurring on the adoption of the amendments they were severally adopted.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend by inserting two new sections, to be numbered sections 7 and 8, as follows:—

"*Sect. 7.* Said Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company shall, on or before the fifteenth day of July in the year 1892, upon presentation, pay to the bona fide holders or purchasers for value of the following described debentures: the principal and accrued interest of such of the debentures of Frederic A. Lockwood, contractor, approved by the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company, and known as the Cape Cod Ship Canal construction debentures, as have been withdrawn from the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, trustees, in New York city, under the provisions of a certain indenture made by and between said Frederic A. Lockwood, said Cape Cod Ship Canal Company, and said Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, trustees, in New York city, and are now, or may hereafter be, in the hands and possession of such bona fide holders or purchasers for value.

"*Sect. 8.* At any time within two years after the said fifteenth day of July in the year 1892, upon the petition of any bona fide holder or purchaser for value of any of said debentures, the attorney-general for the Commonwealth shall file an information against said company in the supreme judicial court for the

Commonwealth, and if it shall appear upon a hearing upon said information that said debentures, or any of them, are not paid in accordance with the terms of the preceding section, then said company shall forfeit all rights under this act, and a dissolution thereof shall be decreed, but such decree shall not defeat the rights of any holder or purchaser for value of said debentures from recovering judgment thereon, for the purpose of charging any officers or stockholders of said company or any other person legally liable for their payment."

These amendments were severally rejected.

Subsequently, Mr. Bennett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the amendments moved by him were rejected; which motion was lost by a vote of 44 to 88.

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend by inserting the following new sections, to be numbered sections 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39, which were adopted, as follows:—

"*Sect. 33.* In the event that the said Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company shall not make the deposit as provided for in section 31 of this act, then the time for the completion of the Cape Cod Ship Canal and for the use, exercise and enjoyment of all the franchises, provisions, privileges and exemptions contained and granted in and by chapter 259 of the Acts of the year 1883, chapter 274 of the Acts of the year 1884, and chapter 222 of the Acts of the year 1887, except as the same are changed or modified by the provisions of this act, is hereby extended for a period of four years: *provided, however,* that such extension shall not continue beyond the first day of November, Anno Domini 1891, unless on or before that date the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company shall deposit with the treasurer of the Commonwealth one hundred thousand dollars or United States bonds of the par value of one hundred thousand dollars, which sum, or the proceeds of said bonds to the same amount, shall be forfeited—one-third to the Commonwealth, one-third to the county of Barnstable, and one-third to the towns of Sandwich and Bourne, to be equally divided between them—January 1, 1893, unless before that date 2,000,000 cubic yards, in addition to what has already been dug, shall have been excavated in the trunk of said canal, and shall be so forfeited June 1, 1895, unless before that date the whole of

the trunk of said canal shall have been excavated; *provided, further*, that the said extension shall not continue beyond the first day of December, Anno Domini 1891, unless on or before that date the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company shall have collected from the subscriber or subscribers to its capital stock and shall have received in its treasury the sum of five hundred thousand dollars in cash, and shall have changed the contracts hereinafter referred to for the building of the canal and its approaches accordingly; and *provided, further*, that the time elapsing between the application for the decision of any question by the county commissioners, board of railroad commissioners, or any other board or commission provided for by the statutes hereinbefore referred to, and the final determination of such question by said county commissioners, board of railroad commissioners, or other board or commission, shall be and shall be taken as an addition to the time of said extension as hereinbefore fixed.

"*Sect. 34.* The charter, corporate existence, organization and location of said canal company and the right of the subscriber to the capital stock of the company under the contracts hereinafter referred to, or of his assigns, to vote at corporate meetings, and to use, exercise and enjoy all the franchises, powers and privileges of said canal company, are hereby recognized, ratified and affirmed. But except that the said canal company may renew and extend the existing contract for the building of the canal and its approaches, and may change the same so that the bonds authorized by the acts to which this is in addition may have fifty years to run and may be issued from time to time to the amount of payments as already or hereafter made on account of capital stock, and may otherwise change the same in conformity with the provisions of this act, the said existing contracts shall not be annulled or altered either as to the price to be paid for said building or in any other particular, except with the approval of the board of harbor and land commissioners; and no stock shall be issued to the contractor or to any other person under said contracts, or either of them, until five miles of said canal shall have been completed pursuant to their terms.

"*Sect. 35.* Upon the application of the Old Colony Railroad Company or any other party interested for the appointment of the board of engineers provided for by

section 7 of chapter 274 of the Acts of the year 1884, said canal company shall pay to the treasurer of the Commonwealth the sum of ten thousand dollars as and for account of compensation of said board, and upon such application all right of said canal company to proceed with the work of constructing said canal under its charter shall cease until said payment shall be made.

"Sect. 36. Said Cape Cod Ship Canal Company shall, on or before the fifteenth day of July in the year 1892, upon presentation, pay to the bona fide holders or purchasers for value of the following described debentures: the principal and accrued interest of such of the debentures of Frederic A. Lockwood, contractor, approved by the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company, and known as the Cape Cod Ship Canal Construction Debentures, as have been withdrawn from the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, trustees, in New York city, under the provisions of a certain indenture made by and between said Frederic A. Lockwood, said Cape Cod Ship Canal Company, and said Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, trustees, in New York city, and are now, or may hereafter be, in the hands and possession of such bona fide holders or purchasers for value.

"Sect. 37. At any time within two years after said fifteenth day of July in the year 1892, upon the petition of any bona fide holder or purchaser for value of any of said debentures, the attorney-general for the Commonwealth shall file an information against said company in the supreme judicial court for the Commonwealth, and if it shall appear upon a hearing upon said information that said debentures or any of them are not paid in accordance with the terms of the preceding section, then said company shall forfeit all rights under this act, and a dissolution thereof shall be decreed; but such decree shall not defeat the rights of any holder or purchaser for value of said debentures from recovering judgment thereon, for the purpose of charging any officers or stockholders of said company or any other person legally liable for their payment.

"Sect. 38. Any corporation organized under the laws of this Commonwealth is hereby authorized to guarantee the payment of the bonds of said canal company, or the payment of the interest on said bonds, upon making a traffic contract with said canal company.

"Sect. 39. If the right of any person or persons to file claims against the canal company for damages to property taken by said company's location has lapsed, such right is hereby revived for one year from the passage of this act."

On the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 91 yeas to 84 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Anderson, Stephen	Messrs.	Howard, Timothy
	Austin, J. Lewis		Hurley, John T.
	Bingham, Henry T.		Hutchinson, Isaac P.
	Blanchard, S. Stillman		Keliher, Thomas J.
	Bliss, Frederic W.		Kimball, John W.
	Boodey, Charles H.		Lane, Howard G.
	Breen, Daniel F.		Leslie, Horace G.
	Brophy, James L.		Lomasney, Joseph P.
	Buchholz, Herman		Loud, John C.
	Burke, James F.		Luby, Patrick B.
	Cannon, Patrick		Luther, Haile R.
	Carroll, Michael		Lynch, John B.
	Carter, Richard A.		Mahoney, Cornelius E.
	Chance, Charles J.		McAnally, Frank
	Clark, Hiram E. W.		McCarthy, Daniel
	Clarke, George E.		McDonald, Peter J.
	Clough, George S.		McEnaney, Thomas O.
	Coburn, Clarence G.		McKenna, George B.
	Coffey, John H.		McLean, Isaac
	Crowley, Jeremiah J.		McLoughlin, John T.
	Davis, Squire S.		McNamara, Jeremiah J.
	Edson, Nathan		McSolla, Richard F.
	Fales, Nathan H.		Mellen, James H.
	Fallon, J. Otis		Mitchell, Michael J.
	Ferren, Myron J.		Moore, Charles
	Finney, Elkanah		Moreau, Louis E. P.
	Gammons, Benjamin		Moriarty, Eugene M.
	Goddard, Edward A.		Mott, Edward
	Golding, John		Nutting, Arthur F.
	Haggerty, Roger		O'Brien, John
	Harriman, Charles H.		O'Brien, John J.
	Hartshorn, James A.		Parker, James O.
	Heffernan, Edward J.		Pickering, Benjamin P.
	Heffernin, Patrick J.		Plummer, John M.
	Henderson, Charles W.		Powers, Wilbur H.
	Hevey, Thomas D.		Pratt, Amasa
	Horton, Everett S.		Rady, Andrew J.

Messrs. Raftery, Patrick H.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Thomas, Harrison O.

Messrs. Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 White, Franklin B.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brown, George H.
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Butler, William M.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carter, James H.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Converse, Morton E.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Curtiss, Samuel N.
 Danforth, John M.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gale, John A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos

Messrs. Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.,
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lewis, James A.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 Meade, William E.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Oakes, William H.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis

Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.	Messrs. Williams, Hezekiah W.
Wheaton, Henry C.	Withington, Nathan N.
Wier, Fred N.	Worcester, Charles F.

Yeas, 91 ; Nays, 84.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Greene, Edward W.*	Messrs. Thompson, Edwin D.
Knowlton, George K.*	Jenkins, Robert B.
Turner, Charles W.	Tilden, Charles A.*
Murray, Michael J.	Sprague, Charles F.*
Woodsum, B. Herbert*	Clark, Louis M.
Hobson, Charles H.*	Tucker, George F.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Quincy, Josiah*

* Present.

The motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, to reconsider the vote whereby the House on May 12 referred to the next General Court the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors, was further considered. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen, and the roll being called, the motion was rejected by a vote of 64 yeas to 71 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.	Messrs. Ferren, Myron J.
Barrett, Harry H.	Finney, Elkanah
Boodey, Charles H.	Gale, John A.
Brophy, James L.	Golding, John
Buchholz, Herman	Harriman, Charles H.
Bullard, Henry B.	Hartshorn, James A.
Capen, Robert P.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Carroll, Michael	Henderson, Charles W.
Carter, James H.	Herrod, Edward F.
Chance, Charles J.	Howard, Timothy
Clough, George S.	Howe, Edward C.
Coffey, John H.	Hunting, Amos
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Johnson, Henry H.
Curtis, Samuel N.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Danforth, John M.	Kenrick, John, Jr.
Edson, Nathan	Lomasney, Joseph P.
Fales, Nathan H.	Luby, Patrick B.

Messrs. Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Messrs. O'Brien, John J.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Parker, James O.
McCarthy, Daniel	Peterson, Benjamin F.
McDonald, Peter J.	Rady, Andrew J.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Rafferty, Patrick H.
McKenna, George B.	Reid, James
McLean, Isaac	Richardson, Albert W.
McLoughlin, John T.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Mehlen, James H.	Savage, Patrick J.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Smith, Charles S.
Mooney, William L.	Taft, Henry G.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Newell, Charles B.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Williams, Hezekiah W.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Austin, J. Lewis	Kemp, Parker J.
Babson, Fitz J.	Keyes, Charles G.
Baker, Charles H.	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Barrett, Richard F.	Kirby, Albert C.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Knowlton, George K.
Bennett, Frank P.	Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Lane, Hiram B.
Bingham, Henry T.	Lawrence, William B.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Leslie, Horace G.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Lewis, James A.
Brooks, Ethan	Longley, Henry C.
Brown, George H.	Loud, John C.
Butler, William M.	Luther, Haile R.
Charles, Salem D.	Moore, Charles
Chester, Dwight	Oakes, William H.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Penney, Alonzo
Clarke, George E.	Perkins, George W.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Converse, Morton E.	Plummer, John M.
Davis, Squire S.	Presho, Edward W.
Day, Frederick B.	Quincy, Josiah
Ellis, Edward C.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Ensign, Charles S.	Shaw, Charles F.
Fairbanks, John W.	Sohier, William D.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Stearns, William H.
Giles, Joseph J.	Stevens, William S.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Swallow, George N.
Goddard, Edward A.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Hinds, John F.	Tilden, Charles A.
Horton, Everett S.	Turner, Henry E.
Howard, S. Edward	Tuttle, William H. H.
Howe, S. Augustus	Warren, Bentley W.

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 Wilson, William Power

Yeas, 64 ; Nays, 71.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Quinn, Patrick J.*	Messrs. Meade, William E.
McEttrick, Michael J.*	Wardwell, J. Otis
Wheaton, Henry C.*	Kittredge, Francis W.
Bill, Ledyard*	Pratt, Amasa
Waterman, Eben C.	Sprague, Charles F.*
Burke, James F.*	Weston, Thomas

* Present:

The House, at eight minutes before five o'clock,
 adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 26, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse of Sherborn, Chaplain of the Senate.

Petition Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Dewey of Boston, of W. H. H. Andrews and others, for incorporation as the Roxbury Trust Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Dewey, the 12th joint rule was suspended by a vote of 45 to 2, and the petition was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Gurnet Bridge Company came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment to the title so that it read "Bill to authorize the Gurnet Bridge Company to construct a bridge without a draw." The House concurred in the amendment and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A message from His Excellency the Governor in relation to the Topographical Survey Commission, transmitting a communication from said commission, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to provide for the appointment and removal of members of the board of prison commissioners, warden and other officers of the State Prison had been rejected by that branch.

*Reports of Committees.***Punishment for drunkenness.**

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to the punishment for drunkenness ought to pass in a new draft with a similar title. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Rights of joint owners in personal property.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to define the rights of joint owners in personal property ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Resolves Passed.***Resolves passed.**

Engrossed resolves :

To provide for compiling, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops who served in the revolutionary war ; and

To provide for certain expenses of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

Resolves :

In favor of certain veterans of the town of Scituate : and

In relation to the bill relating to the taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill repealing the law relating to fenders and guards on street railway cars ; and the

Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the management and liability of mercantile agencies, was further considered.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to authorize and regulate the business of mercantile agencies, credit companies and collection bureaus." After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the bill moved as a substitute was adopted, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks in the Auditor's department was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the pending amendment recommended by the committee on Finance, to wit: In section 3, line 6, strike out the words "fifteen hundred" and insert in place thereof the words "thirteen hundred and fifty" was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 74 to 56.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bail fees in certain cases of drunkenness or other misdemeanors was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day after the "Bill relating to the punishment of drunkenness," reported to-day by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Rideout of Cambridge moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to provide for grading and classifying prisoners in the State Prison," which was rejected by a vote of 44 to 48, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill relating to the powers of boards of license commissioners was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Day of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 9, by inserting after the word "commissioners" the words "if the city council of such city so determines." The amendment was adopted by a vote of 61 to 50, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 73 to 71, as recommended by the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions:—

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and five members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the various commissions of the Commonwealth charged with the administration of State affairs, hear such evidence as may be submitted, after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, and consider the manner of organization and administration of said commissions; what, if any, changes are advisable or necessary therein; and whether any of the existing commissions can be consolidated with others or can be entirely abolished without detriment to the public interest; and if any of such commissions can be so consolidated or abolished, to consider by whom and in what manner the duties now performed by such commissions or any of them shall be hereafter discharged. Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made. Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

The Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply was read a second time and considered, and after debate was refused a third reading by a vote of 48 to 69, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill constituting eight hours a day's work for State, county, city and town employees was taken up. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, by a vote of 102 to 25, at three o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 27, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Dewey of Boston had been designated to preside. Mr. Dewey accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Paper from the Senate.

The Senate Bill to enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House with certain amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the amendments at "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F," "G," "H," "I," "J," "K" and "L," and concurred in the amendment at "M" with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendments to the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Manufacture and distribution of gas and electricity by cities and towns.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital, for expenses in connection with the abolition of grade crossings, and for certain other expenses authorized by law. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was recommitteed the report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the liability of employers, that the bill ought not to pass. (Messrs. Gould of Chelsea, Worcester of Townsend and Warren of Boston, dissenting.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Employers' liability.

Motion to Reconsider.

Lexington
Water Com-
pany.

Mr. McLoughlin of Milford moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply. After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 58 to 98.

Discharged from the Orders.

City of Quincy,
— water supply.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, the Bill to authorize the city of Quincy to introduce a public water supply was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, June 2, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
public bars.

On motion of Mr. Day of Boston, the Bill in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, by a vote of 93 to 34, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, June 2, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill to define the rights of joint owners in personal property was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill constituting eight hours a day's work for State, county, city and town employees, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Bullock of Fall River moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "Sect. 2. Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars." The amendment was rejected, and after debate the House refused to order the bill to a third reading by a vote of 62 to 90.

The Bill relating to the management of boarding-houses at the State normal schools was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to certain receipts and disbursements at the State normal schools." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Prescho of Boston, the Chair announced that Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, chairman of the committee on Education on the part of the House, was entitled to speak ten minutes. Mr. Ladd of Boston raised the point of order that the time should be divided between the committee on Education and the committee on Finance. The Chair (Mr. Dewey) stated that a bill was reported by the committee on Education and was amended in the Senate by the substitution of the bill now before the House, which bill had been referred to the committee on Finance, under the rule; that said committee had reported that the bill ought to pass; and that it did not appear that the report of the committee on Finance was substantially different from that referred to them, and, therefore, the member of the committee on Education was entitled to the ten minutes, under the rule. He therefore declared the point of order not well taken. The bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 46 to 100, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Point of order.

The Bill relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following:—

"Whoever after the first day of November, 1891, by himself or by his servant or agent sells, exchanges or delivers or has in his custody or possession with intent to sell or exchange, or exposes or offers for sale or exchange, any paper, textile fabric, or article for household, domestic or personal use in the manufacture or coloring of which arsenic is used, and which contains more than at the rate of one-fifth of a grain of arsenic to each superficial square yard, shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars for each offence: *provided, however,* that this section shall not apply to papers, articles or fabrics which have been certified in writing not to contain more than the prescribed amount of arsenic by an inspector or chemist designated in writing by the State Board of Health."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ensign of Watertown, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 61 to 77, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Horton of North Attleborough moved to amend by the substitution of the resolve with the same title, originally reported by the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the resolve moved as an amendment was substituted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend by substituting a "Resolve in relation to the bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company." After debate, the resolve moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 64 to 45, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the number of brakemen on freight trains was, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to enable the city of Boston to construct a bridge connecting the city proper with East Boston was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the building of a bridge connecting the city of Boston proper with East Boston," which was read, and, after debate, was substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle was considered. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, at twenty minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 28, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg had been designated to preside. Mr. Kimball accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Insurance, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Insurance Commissioner, — life, casualty and assessment insurance.

Resolutions Presented.

The following resolutions, presented by Mr. Nutting of Northampton, were read and adopted and sent up for concurrence : —

Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts that the saving of the United States man-of-war "Nipsic" and of the lives of most of her men, during the terrible hurricane in the Bay of Apia, Samoa, in March, 1889, was due largely to the rare courage and ability of Lieut. John M. Hawley, the executive officer in charge ; and

Lieut. John M. Hawley.
U. S. N.

Whereas, Lieutenant Hawley is of Massachusetts birth and present citizenship ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives hereby place on record their recognition of the high services of Lieutenant Hawley, and express to him their appreciation of the fidelity in peril, and of the signal ability in a grave crisis displayed by him, whereby the "Nipsic" was saved and many lives preserved. The General Court is pleased to place his name with that of other distinguished sons of the Commonwealth.

Resolved, That these resolutions be engrossed and signed by the President and Clerk of the Senate and by the Speaker and Clerk of the House ; and that His Excellency the Governor be requested to sign the same and to affix the great seal of the Commonwealth thereto, and to forward these resolutions to Lieutenant Hawley.

Petitions.

George H.
Gould.

A petition, presented by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of J. P. Lomasney, that George H. Gould may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Lomasney, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

University Club
of Boston.

A petition, presented by Mr. Warren of Boston, of F. H. Gillett, for the incorporation of Walbridge A. Field, John Lowell, William Gaston, Phillips Brooks, James M. Barker, Henry L. Higginson and others as the University Club of Boston, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Warren, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly : —

Disposition of
wages earned
by prisoners.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 15 of chapter 217 of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words "county treasurer" in the third line thereof and inserting in place thereof the words "parties entitled thereto;" and by striking out, in the fifth line thereof, the word "said" and inserting in place thereof the words "the county," so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows: "*Sect. 15.* Every keeper of a jail and master of a house of correction shall, on

the first day of January, April, July and October, pay to the parties entitled thereto all moneys received by him under the provisions of the preceding section during the three preceding months, and render to the county treasurer an account on oath showing the names of the prisoners by whom payments have been so made, the court by which each was committed, and the amount received from each."

A Resolve providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (reported on the message from the Governor transmitting certain documents concerning the gypsy moth and on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the transfer of inmates of the industrial school at Lawrence to the truant school for the county of Essex ought to pass.

Essex county
truant school,—
Lawrence
industrial
school.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the better representation of the leading political parties on boards of registrars of voters ought to pass.

Registrars of
voters.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to provide for the protection of dairy products and to establish a State dairy bureau ought to pass.

State dairy
bureau.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide a public highway bridge across the reserve channel at South Boston ought to pass.

Bridge across
the reserve
channel at
South Boston.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate resolutions relating to the adoption of uniform laws for the protection of food fishes in the New England States ought to be adopted. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the adoption of the resolutions, in concurrence.

Uniform laws
for the pro-
tection of
food fishes.

Motion to Reconsider.

Boston Railway
Company.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, substituted a "Resolve in relation to the Bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company," for the Bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company. After debate the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 58 to 89.

Discharged from the Orders.

Employers'
liability.

On motions of Mr. Warren of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Employers' Liability Act, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day immediately after the Bill relating to the liability of employers.

Boston, Cape
Cod and New
York Canal
Company.

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, and pending certain amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, June 3, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

*Bills Enacted.***Engrossed bills :**

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Gurnet Bridge Company to construct a bridge without a draw ;

Relating to bonds in bastardy cases ;

To establish a commission to promote rapid transit for the city of Boston and its suburbs ; and

Relating to reinsurance in companies not authorized to do insurance business in this Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

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The Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rejection of the resolve, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to divide the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of representatives in the Congress of the United States was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Bill of Paxton moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court. Mr. Mitchell of Boston moved that pending the debate the rule limiting speeches to ten minutes each be suspended, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 82 to 68.

After debate, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, it was voted that debate be closed at four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. After further debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reference to the next General Court, at the request of Mr. White of Worcester, and the roll being called, the motion was lost, by a vote of 90 yeas to 113 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Clough, George S.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Coburn, Clarence G.
Austin, J. Lewis	Corbett, Myron L.
Babson, Fitz J.	Danforth, John M.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Davis, Squire S.
Baker, Charles H.	Day, Frederick B.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Dewey, Henry S.
Bill, Ledyard	Dyar, Perlle A.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Edson, Nathan
Bliss, Frederic W.	Emery, S. Hopkins
Britton, Henry W.	Fales, Nathan H.
Bullard, Henry B.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Fears, Isaac P.
Clapp, James W.	Fletcher, Charles T.
Clark, Louis M.	Gammons, Benjamin
Clarke, George E.	Gardner, Arthur H.

Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.
 Gould, David E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hinckley, Charles E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hodges, William D.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Loud, John C.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Marston, Dudley J.
 Meade, William E.
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Penney, Alonzo

Messrs. Perkins, George W.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Plummer, John M.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Salter, John J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Sobier, William D.
 Stevens, William S.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Wilson, William Power
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, George N.

Messrs. Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Child, Daniel R.
 Coffey, John H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Golding, John

Messrs. Haggerty, Roger	Messrs. McSolla, Richard F.
Hall, Henry C.	Mitchell, Michael J.
Handley, Aaron C.	Mooney, William L.
Harriman, Charles H.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Hemenway, Augustus	Oakes, William H.
Henderson, Charles W.	O'Brien, John
Herrod, Edward E.	O'Brien, John J.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Parker, James O.
Hobson, Charles H.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Howard, S. Edward	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howard, Timothy	Presho, Edward W.
Howe, Archibald M.	Quincy, Josiah
Hunting, Amos	Quinn, Patrick J.
Hurley, John T.	Rady, Andrew J.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Raftery, Patrick H.
Kelly, Charles A.	Ramage, James
Kemp, Parker J.	Reid, James
Kimball, John W.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Knowlton, George K.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Knox, James W.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Savage, Patrick J.
Lane, Hiram B.	Smith, Charles S.
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Smith, Elvin L.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lynch, John B.	Sprague, Charles F.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Stearns, William H.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McAnally, Frank	Swallow, George N.
McCarthy, Daniel	Thurston, Lysander
McDonald, Peter J.	Tilden, Charles A.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Tilton, Frank B.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Turner, Charles W.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Warren, Bentley W.
McKenna, George B.	Wetherell, Barney T.
McLean, Isaac	Withington, Nathan N.
McLoughlin, John T.	Wright, William J.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	

Yeas, 90 ; Nays, 113.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Rice, William H.*
Gillet, Frederick H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Worcester, Charles F.*

* Present.

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Messrs. Tibbetts, Edwin A.	Messrs. Curtis, Francis C.*
Bingham, Henry T.*	Fallon, Thomas F.
Butler, William M.	Shaw, Charles F.*
Lewis, James A.	Lanigan, Andrew M.*
Greene, Edward W.	Gale, John A.*
Carpenter, Erastus P.*	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Leslie, Horace G.*
Moore, Charles*	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Monk, Hiram A.*	Lord, Lucien
Goddard, Edward A.*	Rideout, Malcolm E.

* Present.

On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Rice of Worcester, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 125 yeas to 75 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Austin, J. Lewis	Curtis, Samuel N.
Barrett, Harry H.	Edson, Nathan
Barrett, Richard F.	Ellis, Edward C.
Bennett, Frank P.	Ensign, Charles S.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Fairbanks, John W.
Boodey, Charles H.	Fallon, J. Otis
Breen, Daniel F.	Finney, Elkanah
Bright, Elmer H.	Fletcher, Charles T.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Flood, Nathan B.
Brooks, Ethan	Frazer, Charles A.
Brophy, James L.	Gammons, Benjamin
Brown, George H.	Golding, John
Buchholz, Herman	Gould, David E.
Buckley, William P.	Haggerty, Roger
Burke, James F.	Hall, Henry C.
Cannon, Patrick	Handley, Aaron C.
Cannon, William	Harding, N. Frank
Capen, Robert P.	Harriman, Charles H.
Carpenter, George N.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Carroll, Michael	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Carter, James H.	Hemenway, Augustus
Carter, Richard A.	Henderson, Charles W.
Chance, Charles J.	Herrod, Edward E.
Charles, Salem D.	Hevey, Thomas D.
Chester, Dwight	Hobson, Charles H.
Child, Daniel R.	Howard, S. Edward
Coffey, John H.	Howard, Timothy

Messrs. Howe, Archibald M.	Messrs. Oakes, William H.
Hunting, Amos	O'Brien, John
Hurley, John T.	O'Brien, John J.
Johnson, Henry H.	Parker, James O.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Kelly, Charles A.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Kemp, Parker J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Kimball, John W.	Presho, Edward W.
Knowlton, George K.	Quincy, Josiah
Knox, James W.	Quinn, Patrick J.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Rady, Andrew J.
Lane, Hiram B.	Raftery, Patrick H.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Ramage, James
Lomasney, Joseph P.	Reid, James
Luby, Patrick B.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Lynch, John B.	Ripley, Samuel E.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Savage, Patrick J.
McAnally, Frank	Shaw, Charles F.
McCarthy, Daniel	Smith, Charles S.
McDonald, Peter J.	Smith, Elvin L.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Sprague, Charles F.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Stearns, William H.
McKenna, George B.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McLean, Isaac	Swallow, George N.
McLoughlin, John T.	Thurston, Lysander
McNamara, Jeremiah J.	Tilden, Charles A.
McSolla, Richard F.	Tilton, Frank B.
Mitchell, Michael J.	Turner, Charles W.
Mooney, William L.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Moore, Charles	Wilder, Aaron O.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Withington, Nathan N.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Wright, William J.
Nutting, Arthur F.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Bullock, Walter J. D.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Clapp, James W.
Babson, Fitz J.	Clark, Louis M.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Clarke, George E.
Baker, Charles H.	Clough, George S.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Coburn, Clarence G.
Bill, Ledyard	Corbett, Myron L.
Bingham, Henry T.	Danforth, John M.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Davis, Squire S.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Day, Frederick B.
Britton, Henry W.	Dewey, Henry S.
Bullard, Henry B.	Dyar, Perlle A.

Messrs. Emery, S. Hopkins	Messrs. Perkins, George W.
Fales, Nathan H.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Ferren, Myron J.	Plummer, John M.
Fears, Isaac P.	Pomeroy, John P.
Giles, Joseph J.	Pratt, Amasa
Hartshorn, James A.	Prouty, John E. O.
Hinds, John F.	Read, Franklin F.
Hodges, William D.	Richardson, Albert W.
Horton, Everett S.	Salter, John J.
Howe, Edward C.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.	Sobier, William D.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Stevens, William S.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Taft, Henry G.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Kirby, Albert C.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Lane, Howard G.	Tucker, George F.
Langdon, Henry W.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Lawrence, William B.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Longley, Henry C.	Waterman, Eben C.
Loud, John C.	Weston, Thomas
Luther, Haile R.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Meade, William E.	White, Franklin B.
Murray, Michael J.	Whitney, Edwin
Newell, Charles B.	Wier, Fred N.
Olmstead, James M.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Penney, Alonzo	

Yeas, 125 ; Nays, 75.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Mellen, James H.	Messrs. Rice, William H.*
Curtis, Francis C.*	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Williams, Hezekiah W.*
Gale, John A.*	Greene, Edward W.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Gardner, Arthur H.*
Leslie, Horace G.*	Kittredge, Francis W.
Warren, Bentley W.*	Gillett, Frederick H.
Worcester, Charles F.	Turner, Henry E.*
Lord, Lucien	Monk, Hiram A.*
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Goddard, Edward A.

* Present.

At a quarter before five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 29, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Butler of New Bedford had been designated to preside. Mr. Butler accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to authorize the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company to extend its railroad into the town of Douglas (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of Douglas, — Providence and Springfield Railroad Company.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of W. H. H. Andrews and others for incorporation as the Roxbury Trust Company had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Roxbury Trust Company.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Loud, the rule was suspended and the resolve was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ladd of Boston, the resolve was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on motion of Mr. Bill of Paxton.

Gypsy moth.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners and providing for

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the appointment of a Board of Gas and Electric Light Control; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to tax mercantile agencies and especially foreign agencies doing business in this Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the protection of dairy products and to establish a State dairy bureau was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill imposing a collateral inheritance tax was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Barrett of Malden moved the following amendments, which were severally rejected:—

Strike out section 1, and insert in place thereof the following:—

“*Section 1.* All property within the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth, and any interest therein, whether belonging to inhabitants of the Commonwealth or not, and whether tangible or intangible, which shall pass by will or by the laws of the Commonwealth regulating intestate succession or by deed, grant, sale or gift, made or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment after the death of the grantor, to any person in trust or otherwise, other than to or for the use of the father, mother, husband, wife, lineal descendant, brother, sister, adopted child, the lineal descendant of any adopted child, the wife or widow of a son, or the husband or widower of a daughter of a decedent, shall be subject to a tax of five per centum of its value, for the use of the Commonwealth; and all such property which so passes to or for the use of the father, mother, husband, wife, lineal descendant, brother, sister, adopted child, lineal descendant of any adopted child, the wife or widow of a son, or the husband or widower of a daughter of a decedent, shall be subject to a tax of one per centum of its value; and all administrators, executors and trustees and any such grantee under a conveyance made during the grantor's life, shall be liable for all such taxes, with lawful interest as hereinafter provided, until the same have been paid as hereinafter directed: *provided, however,* that no estate shall be subject to the provisions of this act unless the value of the same, after the payment of all debts, shall exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars.”

Strike out section 2, and insert in place thereof the following:—

“*Sect. 2.* When any person bequeaths or devises any property to or for the use of father, mother, husband, wife, lineal descendant, brother, sister, an adopted child, the lineal descendant of any adopted child, the wife or widow of a son, or the husband or widower of a daughter, during life or for a term of years, and the remainder to a collateral heir or to a stranger to the blood, the value of the prior estate shall, within sixty days after the date of giving bond by the executor, administrator or trustee, be appraised in the manner hereinafter provided, and deducted from the appraised value of such property, and the remainder shall be subject to a tax of five per centum of its value; and such prior estate for the use of father, mother, husband, wife, lineal descendant, brother, sister, an adopted child, the lineal descendant of any adopted child, the wife or widow of a son, or the husband or widower of a daughter, shall be subject to a tax of one per centum of its value.”

In line 10 of section 3, after the word “accounts,” insert the words “upon the application of any one interested or the treasurer of the Commonwealth.”

Strike out section 4, and insert in place thereof the following:—

“*Sect. 4.* All taxes imposed by this act shall be payable to the treasurer of the Commonwealth by the executors, administrators or trustees at the expiration of two years from the date of their giving bond: *provided*, that whenever legacies or distributive shares are paid within the two years the taxes thereon shall be payable at the time the same are paid. In cases, however, where the probate court has ordered the executor or administrator to retain funds to satisfy a claim of a creditor, whose right of action for which does not accrue within the two years, the payment of the tax may be suspended by an order of the court to await the disposition of such claim. If the taxes are not paid when due, interest at the rate of six per centum per annum shall be charged and collected from the time the same became due; and the taxes and interest that may accrue on the same shall be and remain a lien on the property subject to the taxes till the same are paid to the Commonwealth. An executor, administrator or trustee may, if he prefers, pay the tax to the treas-

urer of the county in which the probate court having jurisdiction of the estate is located, and the several county treasurers shall account with the treasurer of the Commonwealth."

In line 9 of section 9 strike out the words "judge of probate," and insert in place thereof the words "treasurer of the Commonwealth."

In line 7 of section 10 strike out the words "or judge;" also in line 8 of the same section strike out the word "ten," and insert in place thereof the word "thirty."

In line 1, section 15, strike out the words "probate judge," and insert in place thereof the words "register of probate."

In line 9 of section 17, after the word "tax," insert the words "but in case such tax has been paid to a county treasurer as hereinbefore provided then such officer's receipt."

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Howard of North Brookfield, the vote whereby the amendments were rejected was reconsidered, and the question recurring on the adoption of the amendments, they were severally adopted.

Mr. Dewey of Boston moved to amend in section 10, line 11, by striking out the words "executor, administrator or trustee," and inserting in place thereof the words "treasurer of the Commonwealth;" also by striking out section 15, which amendments were severally rejected.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hemenway of Canton, the motion to refer to the next General Court was lost by a vote of 64 to 83.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 93 to 57, its title having also been amended, on motion of Mr. Barrett of Malden, so that it read "Bill imposing a tax on legacies and successions."

The report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William L. Mooney for legislation to compel the Old Colony Railroad Company to elevate a certain portion of their road-bed and tracks within the city of Boston, was further considered.

Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to amend by the

substitution of a "Bill to compel the Old Colony Railroad Company to elevate a certain portion of their tracks within the city of Boston." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 48 to 93, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the number of brakemen on freight trains was considered.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve relating to brakemen on freight trains." The resolve was read, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. McEnaney of Boston, the resolve was substituted and placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading. On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on motion of Mr. Bullock of Fall River.

The Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Swallow of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Resolve in favor of the Murdock Parlor Grate Company was read a second time and considered, and after debate was ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ladd of Boston, the resolve was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Ladd of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane in eastern Massachusetts." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Boston, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 40 to 70, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to assent to the purpose of and to accept the grants of money authorized by Congress, under an act entitled "An Act to apply the proceeds from the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend in section 2, line 11, by striking out the word "one-third" and inserting in place thereof the word "one-half;" also in line 12 of the same section by striking out the word "two-thirds" and inserting in place thereof the word "one-half." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, at two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, June 1, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Dewey of Boston had been designated to preside. Mr. Dewey accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. E. E. Strong of Newton.

Petition.

A petition, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of Walter L. Gilbert and others, for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of fish artificially propagated, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Finney, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Sale of fish
artificially
propagated.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment at "A" in line 2 by inserting after the word "amended" the following words: "by striking out the word 'either,' in the third line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word 'one,' and by adding at the end of the section the words 'or by their secretary or head clerk, unless such person is absent from the city or town in which the tax is to be laid during the whole period when it may be made, in which case the oath may be administered by a notary public, the jurat to be duly authenticated by his seal.'" On motion of Mr. Edson of Barnstable, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Assessors of
taxes, — oaths
to persons
bringing in lists
of property for
assessment.

Bridge across
Cohasset Nar-
rows between
Wareham and
Bourne.

The Senate Bill providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the amendment. On motion of Mr. Finney of Plymouth, the House insisted on its amendment and asked for a committee of conference. Subsequently Messrs. Finney of Plymouth, Monk of Brockton, and Mott of Taunton were appointed as the committee of conference on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Charitable
associations.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to associations for charitable and other purposes, had been referred by that branch to the next General Court.

Report of a Committee.

City of Marl-
borough,—
sewerage
construction
committee.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Marlborough to fill vacancies in its sewerage construction committee ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Message from
the Governor,—
Theodore E.
Davis.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the message from His Excellency the Governor relating to the claim of Theodore E. Davis against the Commonwealth in the matter of the "direct tax," and transmitting an opinion of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth in relation to the legality of said claim, was taken from the table. The same gentleman further moved that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the subject. Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved that the message be referred to the committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report thereon not later than Thursday, June 4. The latter motion prevailed.

Discharged from the Orders.

Mercantile
agencies.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to authorize and regulate the business of mercantile agencies,

credit companies and collection bureaus was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, June 4, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

On motions of Mr. Warren of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Employers' Liability Act, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, June 5, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Employers' liability.

On motion of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, the Bill relating to the liability of employers was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, June 5, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, the Bill to authorize the transfer of inmates of the industrial school at Lawrence to the truant school for the county of Essex was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Essex County truant school, — Lawrence industrial school.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill to divide the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of representatives in the Congress of the United States was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, June 4, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the Bill to provide for the protection of dairy products and to establish

State dairy bureau.

a State dairy bureau was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, June 4, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill repealing the law relating to fenders and guards on street railway cars (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment fixing the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court ; and

Providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill making appropriations for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital, for expenses in connection with the abolition of grade crossings, and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolutions relating to the adoption of uniform laws for the protection of food fishes in the New England States were adopted, in concurrence, as follows :—

Whereas, There are great variations in the laws of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts regarding the protection of food fishes, and as a law the same for all the States herein named would be of benefit to all interested, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, request the commissioners on inland fisheries and game of the Commonwealth to solicit a conference with the proper authorities of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Connecticut, and urge the adoption of uniform laws to protect the food fishes of the States named.

Resolved, That the commissioners on inland fisheries and game be and are hereby requested to report the result of their conference to the General Court of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the governors of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

The Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to amend as follows : —

In section 1, line 11, strike out the word "hereafter." Also in line 24, after the word "pages," insert the following: "And in case the history of any regiment or battery already published is republished, the price shall not exceed the cost of reprinting, and in no case shall the price paid exceed two dollars." Also strike out section 3. After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of the Charles River commission was read a second time and considered.

The amendment recommended by the committee on Finance was adopted, as follows: Strike out all after the word "commission" in the seventh line of the second section and insert in place thereof the following: "Said commission shall expend a sum not exceeding \$3,000 in making their investigations, which sum shall be paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth on properly approved vouchers presented to the auditor, in the same manner as other claims against the Commonwealth. The term of office of the commissioners provided for in this act shall expire within two years from the date of the passage thereof."

The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to require railroad corporations to maintain crossings in certain cases was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Turner of Malden moved to amend in section 1, line 5, by striking out the word "crossing" and insert-

ing in place thereof the words "farm crossing at grade for the owner or occupant of said tract or lot of land," which amendment was rejected by a vote of 25 to 43.

Mr. Turner further moved to amend in section 1 by striking out the words "such land has been fully paid for by said company," and inserting in place thereof the words "the railroad has fully paid all the damages sustained by the person or persons owning such lot or tract of land." The amendment was adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to State commissions, was considered.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill in relation to the power of the Governor to remove members of the State boards and commissions." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the yeas and nays were ordered on the substitution of the bill, at the request of Mr. Quincy, and the roll being called, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 69 yeas to 99 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Boodey, Charles H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fallon, Thomas F.
Finney, Elkanah
Frazer, Charles A.
Gale, John A.
Golding, John

Messrs. Gould, David E.
Hall, Henry C.
Handley, Aaron C.
Harriman, Charles H.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howard, Timothy
Judd, Myron H.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kemp, Parker J.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Luby, Patrick B.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McKenna, George B.

Messrs. McLean, Isaac

McLoughlin, John T.
Mooney, William L.
Moreau, Louis E. P.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Nutting, Arthur F.
O'Brien, John
O'Brien, John J.
Parker, James O.
Quincy, Josiah
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rady, Andrew J.

Messrs. Reid, James

Savage, Patrick J.
Smith, Charles S.
Smith, Elvin L.
Stearns, William H.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Thurston, Lysander
Tilden, Charles A.
Tilton, Frank B.
Wetherell, Barney T.
Withington, Nathan N.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.

Babson, Fitz J.
Baker, Charles H.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bill, Ledyard
Bingham, Henry T.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Britton, Henry W.
Brooks, Ethan
Bullard, Henry B.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Chester, Dwight
Child, Daniel R.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Converse, Morton E.
Corbett, Myron L.
Curtis, Francis C.
Danforth, John M.
Davis, Squire S.
Day, Frederick B.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dickinson, Henry S.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Edson, Nathan
Fairbanks, John W.
Fales, Nathan H.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fears, Isaac P.
Fletcher, Charles T.
Gammons, Benjamin
Gardner, Arthur H.

Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.

Harding, N. Frank
Hartshorn, James A.
Henderson, Charles W.
Hinds, John F.
Hodges, William D.
Horton, Everett S.
Howard, S. Edward
Howe, Edward C.
Howe, S. Augustus
Hunting, Amos
Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Jenkins, Robert B.
Kenrick, John, Jr.
Keyes, Charles G.
Kilmer, Frederick M.
Kimball, John W.
Knowlton, George K.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lakin, James A.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lawrence, William B.
Leslie, Horace G.
Longley, Henry C.
Loud, John C.
Marston, Dudley J.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McFarland, Herbert A.
Meade, William E.
Monk, Hiram A.
Moore, Charles
Mott, Edward
Newell, Charles B.
Olmstead, James M.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Penney, Alonzo

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Messrs. Pickering, Benjamin P.	Messrs. Thomas, Harrison O.
Plummer, John M.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Tucker, George F.
Presbo, Edward W.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Rice, William H.	Waterman, Eben C.
Richardson, Albert W.	Weston, Thomas
Richardson, Arthur C.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	White, Franklin B.
Salter, John J.	Whitney, Edwin
Shaw, Charles F.	Wier, Fred N.
Sohier, William D.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Stevens, William S.	Wilson, William Power
Swallow, George N.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Taft, Henry G.	

Yeas, 69 ; Nays, 99.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hemenway, Augustus	Messrs. Emery, S. Hopkins*
Buchholz, Herman	Luther, Haile R.*
O'Neil, Eugene J.*	Gillett, Frederick H.
Ripley, Samuel E.*	Thompson, Edwin D.
Sparhawk, Henry C.*	Perkins, George W.
Barrett, Harry H.*	Carpenter, George N.
Mellen, James H.	Prouty, John E. O.*
Wright, William J.*	Pratt, Amasa
Warren, Bentley W.	Turner, Henry E.*

* Present.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

The House concurred in the following Senate amendments to the House Bill to prohibit the issuing of certain obligations, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly : —

In section 2, line 1, strike out the word "corporation."

In the same section, line 4, insert after the word "offence" the words "and any corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall forfeit the sum of fifty dollars for each offence, to be recovered in an action of tort brought in the name of the Commonwealth in the county in which the corporation is established."

In section 4, line 8, insert after the word "violation" the words "of any of the provisions."

Strike out section 5.

Strike out the title and insert in place thereof the following new title: "An Act to prohibit the issuing of certain obligations to be redeemed in numerical order or in any arbitrary order of precedence."

The Bill providing for the payment of ordinary dividends by savings banks was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 67 yeas to 52 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brooks, Ethan
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Chance, Charles J.
Corbett, Myron L.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Davis, Squire S.
Day, Frederick B.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Edson, Nathan
Emery, S. Hopkins
Fallon, Thomas F.
Finney, Elkanah
Giles, Joseph J.
Hall, Henry C.
Handley, Aaron C.
Harding, N. Frank
Harriman, Charles H.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Horton, Everett S.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Jenkins, Robert B.

Messrs. Judd, Myron H.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kemp, Parker J.
Kenrick, John, Jr.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Loud, John C.
Luby, Patrick B.
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McKenna, George B.
McLoughlin, John T.
Moore, Charles
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Mott, Edward
O'Brien, John J.
Plummer, John M.
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rady, Andrew J.
Reid, James
Richardson, Albert W.
Rosnosky, Isaac
Savage, Patrick J.
Smith, Elvin L.
Sohier, William D.
Thomas, Harrison O.
Tilden, Charles A.
Tilton, Frank B.
Tucker, George F.

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Messrs. Turner, Henry E.	Messrs. Whitney, Edwin
Warren, Bentley W.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Waterman, Eben C.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Howe, Edward C.
Babson, Fitz J.	Howe, S. Augustus
Barrett, Harry H.	Hunting, Amos
Bennett, Frank P.	Lane, Hiram B.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Lawrence, William B.
Bill, Ledyard	Longley, Henry C.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Luther, Haile R.
Britton, Henry W.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Chester, Dwight	McFarland, Herbert A.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Monk, Hiram A.
Clark, Louis M.	Newell, Charles B.
Clarke, George E.	Olmstead, James M.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Converse, Morton E.	Shaw, Charles F.
Curtis, Francis C.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Danforth, John M.	Smith, Charles S.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Stearns, William H.
Fairbanks, John W.	Stevens, William S.
Fales, Nathan H.	Swallow, George N.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Taft, Henry G.
Gale, John A.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Gammons, Benjamin	Wetherell, Barney T.
Hartshorn, James A.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Hinds, John F.	White, Franklin B.
Hobson, Charles H.	Wier, Fred N.
Howard, S. Edward	Wilder, Aaron O.

Yeas, 67; Nays, 52.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Parker, James O.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.*
 Mellen, James H.
 Boodey, Charles H.*
 Ensign, Charles S.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Kilmer, Frederick M.*
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Meade, William E.*
 Child, Daniel R.
 Weston, Thomas

* Present.

At nine minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 2, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston (substituted for a report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston,
—pensioning of
police officers.

The House Resolve relating to allowances for assistance to district attorneys in proceedings under the Mystic and Charles River Valleys Sewage Disposal Act came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out in line 4 the word "otherwise," and inserting in place thereof the words "other proceedings." Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Metropolitan
sewerage.

Rule 15 Suspended.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Voted, That Rule 15, which requires the Clerk to retain papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration, until the right of reconsideration has expired, be suspended for the remainder of the session.

Rule 15, —
reconsideration.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

In addition to an act making an appropriation for the State House loan sinking fund, 1901 ; and
 Relating to prosecutions for capital crimes ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison ;

Bills enacted.

To enable cities and towns to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity ;

Relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic ; and
Relating to the employment of prisoners ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

Relative to the marking of places dangerous to yachts and small boats ; and

Providing for the sale of a portion of the land upon which the State Normal School at Westfield is being erected and of a dwelling-house situated on said land ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of the Murdock Parlor Grate Company (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

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The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bail fees in certain cases of drunkenness or other misdemeanors, was accepted.

Bills :

Relating to the fees to be paid in the district and municipal courts in the city of Boston ;

Relating to the punishment of drunkenness ;

To provide a public highway bridge across the reserve channel at South Boston ;

To authorize the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company to extend its railroad into the town of Douglas ; and

To authorize the city of Marlborough to fill vacancies in its sewerage construction committee ; and the

Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in relation to the bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital, for expenses in connection with the aboli-

tion of grade crossings, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and the

Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of the Charles River Commission was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out, in the amendment previously adopted by the House, after the word "commission," the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

The Bill to authorize the city of Quincy to introduce a public water supply was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend, in lines 5 to 10 of section 1, by striking out the words "after the purchase of the franchise, corporate property, rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company, as provided in section 9 of chapter 162 of the Acts of the year 1883," which amendment was rejected by a vote of 62 to 75.

The same gentleman further moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "or for preserving the purity of said waters: *provided, however,* that any lands taken for preserving the purity of said waters or water supply shall not be more than 1,000 feet distant from the same," which amendment was adopted by a vote of 77 to 48. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Day of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors to others than guests, and to prohibit the serving of such liquors from tables in rooms where meals are not served."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on the substitution of the

bill, at the request of Mr. Day, and the roll being called, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 83 yeas to 111 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.

Babson, Fitz J.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bicknell, Zechariah L.

Bill, Ledyard

Blanchard, S. Stillman

Britton, Henry W.

Brooks, Ethan

Bullard, Henry B.

Capen, Robert P.

Chester, Dwight

Clapp, James W.

Clark, Hiram E. W.

Clarke, George E.

Clough, George S.

Converse, Morton E.

Corbett, Myron L.

Danforth, John M.

Day, Frederick B.

Edson, Nathan

Emery, S. Hopkins

Fales, Nathan H.

Fears, Isaac P.

Fletcher, Charles T.

Gammons, Benjamin

Gardner, Arthur H.

Giles, Joseph J.

Goddard, Edward A.

Gould, David E.

Greene, Edward W.

Harding, N. Frank

Hartshorn, James A.

Hickox, Stephen A.

Hinds, John F.

Howard, S. Edward

Howe, Edward C.

Howe, S. Augustus

Hunting, Amos

Jenkins, Robert B.

Kenrick, John, Jr.

Keyes, Charles G.

Kilmer, Frederick M.

Messrs. Kimball, John W.

Knowlton, George K.

Lane, Hiram B.

Lane, Howard G.

Lawrence, William B.

Longley, Henry C.

Lord, Lucien

Loud, John C.

Marston, Dudley J.

Mayhew, Ulysses E.

McFarland, Herbert A.

McFethries, John

Monk, Hiram A.

Moore, Charles

Murray, Michael J.

Newell, Charles B.

Penney, Alonzo

Perkins, George W.

Peterson, Benjamin F.

Pomeroy, John P.

Powers, Wilbur H.

Read, Franklin F.

Rice, William H.

Rideout, Malcolm E.

Sawyer, Samuel L.

Taft, Henry G.

Thomas, Harrison O.

Thompson, Edwin D.

Thurston, Lysander

Tibbetts, Edwin A.

Tucker, George F.

Tuttle, William H. H.

Wardwell, J. Otis

Waterman, Eben C.

Weston, Thomas

Wheaton, Henry C.

White, Franklin B.

Whitney, Edwin

Wilder, Aaron O.

Williams, Hezekiah W.

Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen

Appleton, Francis H.

Messrs. Bacheller, Charles M.

Baker, Charles H.

Messrs. Barrett, Harry H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brock, L  muel M.
Brown, George H.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Burke, James F.
Butler, William M.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Davis, Squire S.
Dewey, Henry S.
Dickinson, Henry S.
Dyar, Perl   A.
Ellis, Edward C.
Ensign, Charles S.
Fallon, J. Otis
Fallon, Thomas F.
Ferren, Myron J.
Finney, Elkanah
Gale, John A.
Golding, John
Haggerty, Roger
Hall, Henry C.
Handley, Aaron C.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hemenway, Augustus
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howe, Archibald M.
Hurley, John T.
Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Judd, Myron H.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.

Messrs. Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lakin, James A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Leslie, Horace G.
Lewis, James A.
Lomasney, Joseph P.
Luby, Patrick B.
Luther, Haile R.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McKenna, George B.
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.
McSolla, Richard F.
Mellen, James H.
Mitchell, Michael J.
Mooney, William L.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Mott, Edward
Nutting, Arthur F.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John
O'Neil, Eugene J.
Parker, James O.
Pickering, Benjamin P.
Pratt, Amasa
Presho, Edward W.
Quincy, Josiah
Rady, Andrew J.
Rafferty, Patrick H.
Reid, James
Richardson, Arthur C.
Ripley, Samuel E.
Rosnosky, Isaac
Salter, John J.
Savage, Patrick J.
Shaw, Ebenezer
Smith, Charles S.
Smith, Elvin L.
Sohier, William D.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Stearns, William H.
Stevens, William S.
Sullivan, Michael F.

Messrs. Swallow, George N.	Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.
Tilden, Charles A.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Tilton, Frank B.	Withington, Nathan N.
Turner, Henry E.	

Yeas, 83 ; Nays, 111.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Clark, Louis M.*	Messrs. Wier, Fred N.
Curtis, Francis C.*	O'Brien, John J.
Carpenter, George N.	Howard, Timothy*
Meade, William E.*	Flood, Nathan B.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Herrod, Edward E.*
Richardson, Albert W.*	Wright, William J.
Prouty, John E. O.	Quinn, Patrick J.*
Fairbanks, John W.	Brophy, James L.*
Barrett, Richard F.	Moreau, Louis E. P.*

* Present.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Day, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 112 yeas to 78 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Carroll, Michael
Appleton, Francis H.	Carter, Richard A.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Chance, Charles J.
Baker, Charles H.	Charles, Salem D.
Barrett, Harry H.	Coburn, Clarence G.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Coffey, John H.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Boodey, Charles H.	Curtis, Samuel N.
Breen, Daniel F.	Davis, Squire S.
Bright, Elmer H.	Dewey, Henry S.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Dickinson, Henry S.
Brown, George H.	Ellis, Edward C.
Buchholz, Herman	Ensign, Charles S.
Buckley, William P.	Fallon, J. Otis
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Fallon, Thomas F.
Burke, James F.	Ferren, Myron J.
Butler, William M.	Fears, Isaac P.
Cannon, Patrick	Finney, Elkanah
Cannon, William	Gale, John A.

Messrs. Gillett, Frederick H.
 Goddard, Edward A.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Hurley, John T.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Kelihier, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.

Messrs. Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Salter, John J.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Shaw, Ebenezer
 Smith, Charles S.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Swallow, George N.
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atkins, Edwin A.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bill, Ledyard
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brooks, Ethan
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight

Messrs. Clapp, James W.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clarke, George E.
 Clough, George S.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Emery, S. Hopkins

Messrs. Fales, Nathan H.	Messrs. Moore, Charles
Gammons, Benjamin	Murray, Michael J.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Newell, Charles B.
Giles, Joseph J.	Perkins, George W.
Greene, Edward W.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Harding, N. Frank	Pomeroy, John P.
Hartshorn, James A.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Read, Franklin F.
Howard, S. Edward	Rice, William H.
Howe, Edward C.	Richardson, Albert W.
Howe, S. Augustus	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hunting, Amos	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Taft, Henry G.
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Keyes, Charles G.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	Thurston, Lysander
Kimball, John W.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Knowlton, George K.	Tucker, George F.
Lane, Hiram B.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Lane, Howard G.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Lawrence, William B.	Waterman, Eben C.
Leslie, Horace G.	Weston, Thomas
Longley, Henry C.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Lord, Lucien	White, Franklin B.
Loud, John C.	Whitney, Edwin
Marston, Dudley J.	Wilder, Aaron O.
McFarland, Herbert A.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
McFethries, John	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Monk, Hiram A.	Worcester, Charles F.

Yeas, 112; Nays, 78.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. O'Brien, John J.	Messrs. Curtis, Francis C.*
Howard, Timothy*	Carpenter, George N.
Herrod, Edward E.*	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Flood, Nathan B.	Meade, William E.*
Brophy, James L.*	Fairbanks, John W.
Moreau, Louis E. P.*	Barrett, Richard F.
Wier, Fred N.	Clark, Louis M.*
Quinn, Patrick J.*	Prouty, John E. O.

* Present.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks in the Auditor's department was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Meade of Salem moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, which motion was rejected by a vote of 39 to 51. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 78 to 36.

The Bill relating to the powers of boards of license commissioners was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Hall of Waltham moved to amend in section 1 by striking out the words previously inserted by the House, to wit: "if the city council of such city so determines." After debate the amendment was rejected by a vote of 42 to 59, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To define the rights of joint owners in personal property; and

Relating to the management of boarding-houses at the State normal schools;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the better representation of the leading political parties on boards of registrars of voters was read a second time and considered.

Mr. McLoughlin of Milford moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Friday next, which motion was lost. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to require railroad corporations to maintain crossings in certain cases was read a third time and considered. Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows:—

"*Sect. 2.* Nothing in this act contained shall authorize the laying out of a crossing where no actual crossing now exists or has existed." After debate the amendment was adopted by a vote of 75 to 34, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill providing for the payment of ordinary dividends by savings banks was read a third time and con-

sidered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, on the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 68 yeas to 78 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.
Bill, Ledyard	Lynch, John B.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Brophy, James L.	McAnally, Frank
Brown, George H.	McDonald, Peter J.
Buchholz, Herman	McEttrick, Michael J.
Buckley, William P.	McKenna, George B.
Burke, James F.	McLean, Isaac
Cannon, William	McLoughlin, John T.
Capen, Robert P.	McSolla, Richard F.
Carroll, Michael	Mitchell, Michael J.
Chance, Charles J.	Mooney, William L.
Child, Daniel R.	Moore, Charles
Corbett, Myron L.	Moreau, Louis E. P.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Mott, Edward
Curtis, Samuel N.	O'Brien, John
Day, Frederick B.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Fallon, J. Otis	Parker, James O.
Finney, Elkanah	Plummer, John M.
Golding, John	Presbo, Edward W.
Hall, Henry C.	Rady, Andrew J.
Handley, Aaron C.	Ramage, James
Heffernan, Edward J.	Reid, James
Herrod, Edward E.	Richardson, Albert W.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Jenkins, Robert B.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Judd, Myron H.	Smith, Elvin L.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Sohier, William D.
Kelly, Charles A.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Kemp, Parker J.	Thurston, Lysander
Kenrick, John, Jr.	Tilden, Charles A.
Knox, James W.	Tucker, George F.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.	Turner, Henry E.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Whitney, Edwin

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Bennett, Frank P.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Barrett, Harry H.	Bingham, Henry T.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Blanchard, S. Stillman

Messrs. Britton, Henry W.	Messrs. Leslie, Horace G.
Brooks, Ethan	Longley, Henry C.
Bullard, Henry B.	Lord, Lucien
Butler, William M.	Luther, Haile R.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Marston, Dudley J.
Chester, Dwight	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Clapp, James W.	McFarland, Herbert A.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	McFethries, John
Clarke, George E.	Monk, Hiram A.
Clough, George S.	Newell, Charles B.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Oakes, William H.
Converse, Morton E.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Curtis, Francis C.	Penney, Alonzo
Danforth, John M.	Perkins, George W.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Edson, Nathan	Read, Franklin F.
Ensign, Charles S.	Salter, John J.
Ferren, Myron J.	Shaw, Charles F.
Gale, John A.	Smith, Charles S.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Sprague, Charles F.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Stearns, William H.
Greene, Edward W.	Stevens, William S.
Hartshorn, James A.	Swallow, George N.
Hemenway, Augustus	Taft, Henry G.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Hinckley, Charles E.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Hinds, John F.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Howard, S. Edward	Wetherell, Barney T.
Howe, Edward C.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Kilmer, Frederick M.	White, Franklin B.
Kimball, John W.	Wier, Fred N.
Lane, Hiram B.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Lane, Howard G.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Lawrence, William B.	Withington, Nathan N.

Yeas, 68 ; Nays, 78.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Dewey, Henry S.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Savage, Patrick J.*
 Woodsum, B. Herbert*
 Moriarty, Eugene M.

NAYS.

Messrs. Fletcher, Charles T.*
 Rice, William H.*
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Meade, William E.*

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Messrs. Carter, Richard A.	Messrs. Hunting, Amos*
Murray, Michael J.	Howe, Archibald M.*
Loud, John C.	Knowlton, George K.*
Wright, William J.*	Howe, S. Augustus
Charles, Salem D.	Weston, Thomas*
O'Brien, John J.	Waterman, Eben C.*

* Present.

The Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment striking out section 4 and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "*Sect. 3.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, at twenty-five minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 3, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

A report was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in compliance with Joint Rule No. 3, submitting a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending May 31, 1891, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 561.) Read and sent to the Senate.

Sergeant-at-Arms, expenses of committees.

House Document Reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Voted, That House Document No. 532, being the Bill to divide the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of representatives in the Congress of the United States, be reprinted as a House document.

House document reprinted, — redistricting bill.

Petition.

A petition, presented by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, of William S. Hadaway and others, in aid of the petition of Walter L. Gilbert and others for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of fish artificially propagated, was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Sale of fish artificially propagated.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider when the Legislature can be prorogued without detriment to the public business, and report such resolve thereon as they may deem necessary.

Committee on Rules, — prorogation.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill in addition to an act to authorize the city of Chelsea to provide for paying and refunding its funded debt (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by

City of Chelsea, — funded debt.

the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Kittredge of Boston, the rules were suspended, the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Manual training
and industrial
education.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, in lines 11 and 12, the words "a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars," and inserting in place thereof the words "such a sum as the Governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall approve." On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendment, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Newburyport
bridge.

By Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted) of the selectmen of Salisbury and Amesbury, for reimbursement for rebuilding the Newburyport bridge. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Settlement of
insolvent
estates.

By Mr. Ensign of Watertown, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill relative to the settlement of insolvent estates in certain cases after the decease of the original assignee ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Savings banks,
— payment of
ordinary
dividends.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill providing for the payment of ordinary dividends by savings banks. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Buckley, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 85 yeas to 104 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Austin, J. Lewis
Boodey, Charles H.

Messrs. Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.

Messrs. Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Coffey, John H.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Edson, Nathan
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Finney, Elkanah
 Golding, John
 Gould, David E.
 Haggerty, Roger
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Howard, Timothy
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kenrick, John, Jr.
 Knox, James W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lewis, James A.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, Haile R.

Messrs. Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McKenna, George B.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 O'Brien, John
 Parker, James O.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tilden, Charles A.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Worcester, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Bartlett, Robert G.
Atkins, Edwin A.	Bennett, Frank P.
Babson, Fitz J.	Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Bingham, Henry T.
Baker, Charles H.	Blanchard, S. Stillman
Barrett, Harry H.	Bliss, Frederic W.
Barrett, Richard F.	Bright, Elmer H.

Messrs. Britton, Henry W.	Messrs. Lomasney, Joseph P.
Brooks, Ethan	Longley, Henry C.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Lord, Lucien
Butler, William M.	Loud, John C.
Capen, Robert P.	Marston, Dudley J.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Chester, Dwight	McFarland, Herbert A.
Clapp, James W.	McFethries, John
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Meade, William E.
Clark, Louis M.	Monk, Hiram A.
Clarke, George E.	Newell, Charles B.
Clough, George S.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Oakes, William H.
Curtis, Francis C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Danforth, John M.	Penney, Alonzo
Dewey, Henry S.	Perkins, George W.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Peterson, Benjamin F.
Ensign, Charles S.	Pickering, Benjamin P.
Fairbanks, John W.	Pomeroy, John P.
Fales, Nathan H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Ferren, Myron J.	Prouty, John E. O.
Fears, Isaac P.	Read, Franklin F.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Rice, William H.
Gale, John A.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Giles, Joseph J.	Shaw, Charles F.
Goddard, Edward A.	Shaw, Ebenezer
Greene, Edward W.	Smith, Charles S.
Hartshorn, James A.	Stearns, William H.
Hemenway, Augustus	Stevens, William S.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Swallow, George N.
Hinckley, Charles E.	Taft, Henry G.
Hinds, John F.	Thompson, Edwin D.
Hobson, Charles H.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Horton, Everett S.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Howard, S. Edward	Wardwell, J. Otis
Howe, Edward C.	Weston, Thomas
Hunting, Amos	Wetherell, Barney T.
Keyes, Charles G.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Kimball, John W.	White, Franklin B.
Kittredge, Francis W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Knowlton, George K.	Williams, Hezekiah W.
Lane, Hiram B.	Wilson, William Power
Langdon, Henry W.	Withington, Nathan N.
Lawrence, William B.	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 85 ; Nays, 104.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. O'Neil, Eugene J.
Judd, Myron H.*
Tucker, George F.*
Ladd, Nathaniel W.*

Messrs. Gillett, Frederick H.*
Howe, S. Augustus
Carpenter, George N.
Converse, Morton E.

* Present.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Bill to assent to the purpose of and to accept the grants of money authorized by Congress, under an act entitled "An Act to apply the proceeds from the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the adoption of the following amendments: Strike out all after the word "being" in line 10 of section 1, and insert in place thereof the words "chapter 841 of the acts of the first session of the fifty-first Congress and approved on the thirtieth day of August in the year 1890." Also strike out in the title, after the word "Congress," the words "under an act entitled 'an act to apply the proceeds from the public lands to,'" and insert in place thereof the word "for."

Acceptance of the act of Congress giving certain moneys for the support of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on further motion of Mr. Ladd, committed to the committee on Finance.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to authorize the city of Quincy to introduce a public water supply ; and the

Resolve in relation to the Bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Mott of Taunton moved that debate be closed at half-past twelve o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, which motion prevailed by a vote of 115 to 13.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the adoption of the following amendments : —

Add at the end of section 6 the following words : “ But all damages sustained by the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company under the provisions of this act shall be ascertained and determined as provided in section 26 hereof.” Also strike out in lines 25 and 26 of section 26 the words “ and whose decision and award shall be final,” and insert in place thereof the words “ either party dissatisfied with their decision and award may, at any time within one year after it is so submitted, apply by petition to the Superior Court for Barnstable County for a jury to assess the damages, and like proceedings shall be had thereon as in proceedings for damages for laying out of railroads.” Also strike out after the word “ and,” in line 26 of the same section, the word “ said,” and insert in place thereof the words “ the final.”

Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend as follows : —

In section 26 by striking out all of said section from the beginning down to and including the word “ manner.” in the fourteenth line, and substituting the following : “ Said Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, within six months from the passage of this act, shall reimburse the said Cape Cod Ship Canal Company all moneys paid by it on account of lands purchased or taken for right of way, and shall assume all the liabilities of said Cape Cod Ship Canal Company on account of land or right of way purchased or taken but not paid for, and shall, within six months from the passage of this act, or as soon thereafter as the award hereinafter provided for shall be made, pay the said Cape Cod Ship

Canal Company for work done within its location and appropriated to the uses of the said Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, the value of which shall be determined in the following manner."

Also by adding at the end of section 31 the following: "When the said Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company shall have made the deposit with the treasurer of the Commonwealth required by the provisions of this section, then said treasurer is hereby authorized and instructed to pay to the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company or its assigns the deposit made by said company with said treasurer pursuant to section 19 of chapter 259 of the Acts of the year 1883."

After debate the amendments were severally adopted. On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 124 yeas to 59 nays, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House. The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Austin, J. Lewis
Babson, Fitz J.
Barrett, Harry H.
Bingham, Henry T.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Bullard, Henry B.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Carpenter, Erastus P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Clarke, George E.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.

Messrs. Coffey, John H.
Corbett, Myron L.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Davis, Squire S.
Dickinson, Henry S.
Edson, Nathan
Emery, S. Hopkins
Fales, Nathan H.
Fallon, J. Otis
Ferren, Myron J.
Finney, Elkanah
Gale, John A.
Goddard, Edward A.
Golding, John
Haggerty, Roger
Hall, Henry C.
Harriman, Charles H.
Hartshorn, James A.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Henderson, Charles W.
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hinckley, Charles E.

Messrs. Hinds, John F.

Hobson, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, Timothy
 Hurley, John T.
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Loud, John C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, Haile R.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McFethries, John
 McKenna, George B.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moore, Charles
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Mott, Edward
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Nutting, Arthur F.

Messrs. O'Brien, John

Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Pickering, Benjamin P.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Read, Franklin F.
 Reid, James
 Rice, William H.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Ebenezer
 Smith, Charles S.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tilton, Frank B.
 Turner, Charles W.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Wright, William J.

NAYS.**Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.**

Atkins, Edwin A.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, Charles H.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Britton, Henry W.
 Brown, George H.
 Butler, William M.

Messrs. Capen, Robert P.

Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Ensign, Charles S.

Messrs. Fairbanks, John W.	Messrs. Monk, Hiram A.
Fallon, Thomas F.	Oakes, William H.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Olmstead, James M.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Penney, Alonzo
Giles, Joseph J.	Perkins, George W.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Presho, Edward W.
Hemenway, Augustus	Quincy, Josiah
Howard, S. Edward	Salter, John J.
Howe, Edward C.	Shaw, Charles F.
Howe, S. Augustus	Sohier, William D.
Hunting, Amos	Sprague, Charles F.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Swallow, George N.
Kelly, Charles A.	Taft, Henry G.
Kemp, Parker J.	Thurston, Lysander
Lane, Hiram B.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Tilden, Charles A.
Lewis, James A.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Lord, Lucien	Wardwell, J. Otis
Marston, Dudley J.	Wheaton, Henry C.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Meade, William E.	

Yeas, 124 ; Nays, 59.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Handley, Aaron C.
McAnally, Frank*
O'Neil, Eugene J.
Bucklin, Andrew J.
Pratt, Amasa
Child, Daniel R.
Fears, Isaac P.*
Gould, David E.
McLoughlin, John T.

NAYS.

Messrs. Worcester, Charles F.*
Hodges, William D.
McEttrick, Michael J.*
Peterson, Benjamin F.*
Kenrick, John, Jr.*
Richardson, Albert W.*
Kirby, Albert C.
Tucker, George F.*
McFarland, Herbert A.*

* Present.

Bills :

To provide a public highway bridge across the reserve channel at South Boston ;

To authorize the city of Marlborough to fill vacancies in its sewerage construction committee ; and

To authorize the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company to extend its railroad into the town of Douglas ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the fees to be paid in the district and municipal courts in the city of Boston was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by inserting in section 1, line 9, after the word "thereof," the words "or by the justices of courts having no clerks," and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill relating to the punishment of drunkenness was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend in section 2, line 14, by inserting after the word "investigation" the words "if he is within the jurisdiction of a court having a probation officer;" also in line 23 of the same section by inserting after the word "court" the words "if he has not been released;" also in section 4, line 10, by striking out the word "for" and inserting in place thereof the word "of;" also by adding at the end of the same section the words "for criminal business."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Stevens of Boston moved to amend in line 1 by striking out the word "Agriculture" and inserting in place thereof the word "Health;" also in the title by striking out the word "Agriculture" and inserting in place thereof the word "Health." After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to provide for the better representation of the leading political parties on boards of registrars of voters was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, at three minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 4, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to authorize the Interstate Street Railway Company to extend its tracks into the towns of Attleborough, North Attleborough and Seekonk (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Interstate
Street Railway
Company.

A Bill to authorize the commissioners of savings banks to prevent foreign co-operative banking corporations from transacting business in this Commonwealth (reported on a bill introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Co-operative
banking.

The House Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 350 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to a bridge across the Connecticut River, between Holyoke and Chicopee, came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out the title and inserting the following new title: "Bill relative to laying out a public highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecticut River, between Holyoke and Chicopee," in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bridge across
the Connecticut
River between
Holyoke and
Chicopee.

The Senate Bill providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, and that Messrs. Simpkins, Carpenter and Smith had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

Bridge across
Cohasset Nar-
rows between
Wareham and
Bourne.

Anatomical
science.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to amend chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act relating to the promotion of anatomical science," came down referred to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Metropolitan
sewerage
system, — dis-
trict attorneys.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Resolve relating to allowance for assistance to district attorneys in proceedings under the Mystic and Charles River Valleys Sewage Disposal Act. On motion of Mr. Butler, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendment, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Web-
ster, — water
supply.

By Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, from the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the town of Webster that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Johnson, and sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Orange, — water
supply.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of a special committee of the town of Orange that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howe, and sent up for concurrence.

Theodore E.
Davis, — direct
tax.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the message of His Excellency the Governor, relating to the claim of Theodore E. Davis against the Commonwealth in the matter of the direct tax, and transmitting an opinion of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth in relation to the legality of said claim. (See House, No. 566.) (Messrs. Worcester of Townsend, Charles of Boston and Warren of Boston, of the House, present and dissenting.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the extermination of the insect

known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth. Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, to whom was committed the Bill to apply the proceeds from the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, that the bill ought to pass, with the following amendment: Add, at the end of section 2, after the word "money," the words "unless the courts should decide that the act of Congress distributed said money." Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on the engrossment of the bill.

Acceptance of the act of Congress giving certain moneys for the support of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To prohibit the issuing of certain obligations to be re- deemed in numerical order or in any arbitrary order of precedence; and

Bills enacted.

To define the rights of joint owners in personal property;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To establish the salaries of the clerks in the Auditor's department;

In addition to an act to authorize the city of Chelsea to provide for paying and refunding its funded debt;

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane;

Relating to the management of the boarding-houses at the State normal schools; and

To authorize the transfer of the inmates of the industrial school at Lawrence to the truant school for the county of Essex;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to divide the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of representatives in the Congress of the United States was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Orders of the day.

Mr. White of Worcester moved to amend as follows: In section 2, line 37, after the word "Blackstone," insert the word "Boylston;" in line 39, after the word "Pax-

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Howe, S. Augustus
Atkins, Edwin A.	Hunting, Amos
Babson, Fitz J.	Hutchinson, Isaac P.
Bachelor, Charles M.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Baker, Charles H.	Kenrick, John, Jr.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Keyes, Charles G.
Bill, Ledyard	Kilmer, Frederick M.
Bingham, Henry T.	Kimball, John W.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Kirby, Albert C.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Kittredge, Francis W.
Britton, Henry W.	Lakin, James A.
Brooks, Ethan	Lane, Howard G.
Bucklin, Andrew J.	Langdon, Henry W.
Bullard, Henry B.	Lawrence, William B.
Bullock, Walter J. D.	Lewis, James A.
Butler, William M.	Longley, Henry C.
Carpenter, Erastus P.	Loud, John C.
Clapp, James W.	Marston, Dudley J.
Clarke, George E.	Meade, William E.
Clough, George S.	Monk, Hiram A.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Moore, Charles
Converse, Morton E.	Murray, Michael J.
Corbett, Myron L.	Newell, Charles B.
Danforth, John M.	Olmstead, James M.
Davis, Squire S.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Day, Frederick B.	Penney, Alonzo
Dewey, Henry S.	Perkins, George W.
Dickinson, Henry S.	Plummer, John M.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Pomeroy, John P.
Edson, Nathan	Pratt, Amasa
Fales, Nathan H.	Prouty, John E. O.
Fears, Isaac P.	Read, Franklin F.
Fletcher, Charles T.	Rice, William H.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Salter, John J.
Giles, Joseph J.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Sohier, William D.
Goddard, Edward A.	Stevens, William S.
Gould, David E.	Taft, Henry G.
Greene, Edward W.	Thomas, Harrison O.
Harding, N. Frank	Thompson, Edwin D.
Hartshorn, James A.	Tibbetts, Edwin A.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Tucker, George F.
Hinckley, Charles E.	Turner, Henry E.
Hinds, John F.	Tuttle, William H. H.
Hodges, William D.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Horton, Everett S.	Waterman, Eben C.
Howe, Edward C.	Weston, Thomas

Messrs. Wheaton, Henry C.
White, Franklin B.
Whitney, Edwin
Wier, Fred N.

Messrs. Williams, Hezekiah W.
Wilson, William Power
Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Barrett, Richard F.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brophy, James L.
Brown, George H.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, Patrick
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carpenter, George N.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Carter, Richard A.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Child, Daniel R.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Coffey, John H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Francis C.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Ellis, Edward C.
Emery, S. Hopkins
Ensign, Charles S.
Fairbanks, John W.
Fallon, J. Otis
Finney, Elkanah
Frazer, Charles A.
Gale, John A.
Golding, John
Haggerty, Roger
Hall, Henry C.
Handley, Aaron C.
Harriman, Charles H.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.

Messrs. Hemenway, Augustus
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howard, S. Edward
Howard, Timothy
Hurley, John T.
Judd, Myron H.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kemp, Parker J.
Knowlton, George K.
Knox, James W.
Ladd, Nathaniel W.
Lane, Hiram B.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Leslie, Horace G.
Lomasney, Joseph P.
Lord, Lucien
Luby, Patrick B.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McFarland, Herbert A.
McKenna, George B.
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
McNamara, Jeremiah J.
McSolla, Richard F.
Mellen, James H.
Mitchell, Michael J.
Mooney, William L.
Moreau, Louis E. P.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Nutting, Arthur F.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John
O'Brien, John J.
Parker, James O.

Messrs. Peterson, Benjamin F.	Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Smith, Elvin L.
Prescho, Edward W.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Quincy, Josiah	Sprague, Charles F.
Quinn, Patrick J.	Stearns, William H.
Rady, Andrew J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Rafferty, Patrick H.	Swallow, George N.
Ramage, James	Thurston, Lysander
Reid, James	Tilden, Charles A.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Tilton, Frank B.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Turner, Charles W.
Ripley, Samuel E.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Rosnosky, Isaac	Wilder, Aaron O.
Savage, Patrick J.	Withington, Nathan N.
Shaw, Charles F.	Worcester, Charles F.
Shaw, Ebenezer	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 101 ; Nays, 120.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Clark, Louis M.*	Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.
Luther, Haile R.	O'Neil, Eugene J.*
Ferren, Myron J.	Barrett, Harry H.*
Richardson, Albert W.	Henderson, Charles W.*
McFethries, John*	Flood, Nathan B.

* Present.

The amendments moved by Mr. White of Worcester were severally rejected by a vote of 82 to 121.

On the question on the adoption of the amendments moved by Mr. Baker of Lynn, the yeas and nays were ordered, at his request, and the roll being called, the amendments were severally rejected by a vote of 90 yeas to 127 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Britton, Henry W.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Brooks, Ethan
Baker, Charles H.	Bucklin, Andrew J.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Bullard, Henry B.
Bill, Ledyard	Bullock, Walter J. D.
Bingham, Henry T.	Butler, William M.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Clapp, James W.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Clarke, George E.

Messrs. Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hinckley, Charles E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hodges, William D.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lawrence, William B.

Messrs. Longley, Henry C.
 Loud, John C.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Plummer, John M.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Rice, William H.
 Salter, John J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Sobier, William D.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stevens, William S.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.

Messrs. Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.

Messrs. Peterson, Benjamin F.	Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Smith, Elvin L.
Prescho, Edward W.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Quincy, Josiah	Sprague, Charles F.
Quinn, Patrick J.	Stearns, William H.
Rady, Andrew J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Raftery, Patrick H.	Swallow, George N.
Ramage, James	Thurston, Lysander
Reid, James	Tilden, Charles A.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Tilton, Frank B.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Turner, Charles W.
Ripley, Samuel E.	Wetherell, Barney T.
Rosnosky, Isaac	Wilder, Aaron O.
Savage, Patrick J.	Withington, Nathan N.
Shaw, Charles F.	Worcester, Charles F.
Shaw, Ebenezer	Wright, William J.

Yeas, 101 ; Nays, 120.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Clark, Louis M.*	Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.
Luther, Haile R.	O'Neil, Eugene J.*
Ferren, Myron J.	Barrett, Harry H.*
Richardson, Albert W.	Henderson, Charles W.*
McFethries, John*	Flood, Nathan B.

* Present.

The amendments moved by Mr. White of Worcester were severally rejected by a vote of 82 to 121.

On the question on the adoption of the amendments moved by Mr. Baker of Lynn, the yeas and nays were ordered, at his request, and the roll being called, the amendments were severally rejected by a vote of 90 yeas to 127 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Britton, Henry W.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Brooks, Ethan
Baker, Charles H.	Bucklin, Andrew J.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Bullard, Henry B.
Bill, Ledyard	Bullock, Walter J. D.
Bingham, Henry T.	Butler, William M.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Clapp, James W.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Clarke, George E.

Messrs. Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Corbett, Myron L.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Dickinson, Henry S.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Edson, Nathan
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Fears, Isaac P.
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gould, David E.
 Greene, Edward W.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hartshorn, James A.
 Hickox, Stephen A.
 Hinckley, Charles E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hodges, William D.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howe, Edward C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Kittredge, Francis W.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lawrence, William B.

Messrs. Longley, Henry C.
 Loud, John C.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 Mitchell, Michael J.
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Penney, Alonzo
 Perkins, George W.
 Plummer, John M.
 Pomeroy, John P.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prouty, John E. O.
 Rice, William H.
 Salter, John J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stevens, William S.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Williams, Hezekiah W.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Atkins, Edwin A.
 Babson, Fitz J.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.

Messrs. Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, Erastus P.
 Carpenter, George N.

Messrs. Carroll, Michael

Carter, James H.
 Carter, Richard A.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Coffey, John H.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gale, John A.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howard, Timothy
 Hurley, John T.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Langdon, Henry W.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lewis, James A.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Lord, Lucien
 Luby, Patrick B.

Messrs. Lynch, John B.

McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 McKenna, George B.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McNamara, Jeremiah J.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meade, William E.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moreau, Louis E. P.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Peterson, Benjamin F.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Patrick J.
 Rady, Andrew J.
 Raftery, Patrick H.
 Ramage, James
 Read, Franklin F.
 Reid, James
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Ripley, Samuel E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Shaw, Ebenezer
 Smith, Charles S.
 Smith, Elvin L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stearns, William H.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Swallow, George N.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tilden, Charles A.

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Messrs. Tilton, Frank B.	Messrs. Withington, Nathan N.
Turner, Charles W.	Worcester, Charles F.
Wetherell, Barney T.	Wright, William J.
Wilson, William Power	

Yeas, 90 ; Nays, 127.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Richardson, Albert W.	Messrs. Henderson, Charles W.*
Ferren, Myron J.	Barrett, Harry H.*
Clark, Louis M.*	Warren, Bentley W.

* Present.

The amendment moved by Mr. Emery of Taunton was rejected by a vote of 60 to 125.

The amendments moved by Mr. Gillett of Springfield were severally rejected by a vote of 82 to 120.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 130 to 84.

On motion of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, at twenty-nine minutes past four o'clock the House adjourned by a vote of 129 to 42.

FRIDAY, June 5, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Salaries of the first and second clerks in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, a Bill to establish the salaries of the first and second clerks in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Tucker, the 12th joint rule was suspended, by a vote of 119 to 12, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Woman suffrage, — intoxicating liquors.

By Mr. Emery of Taunton, a Bill to extend to women the right of voting on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, Mr. Emery moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended. The House refused to suspend the rule, by a vote of 75 to 68, and the bill was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Tent caterpillar.

By Mr. Fales of Norfolk, a Bill to secure protection against the ravages of the tent caterpillar. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, it was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

Bureau of Statistics of Labor, — holding of land for speculative purposes and rental of houses in Boston and vicinity.

A Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to land held in the city of Boston and vicinity for speculative purposes, and the condition of families residing in rented tenements (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the House, with certain amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down concurred in the amendments, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Boston, Cape
Cod and New
York Canal
Company.

The House Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses, and for the erection of a new laundry and boiler-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, in line 3, by striking out the word "thirty" and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty-five;" also in line 8 by striking out the word "twenty" and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-five." On motion of Mr. Curtis of Marlborough, the rule was suspended, by a vote of 94 to 13, the House concurred in the amendments, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Westborough
Insane
Hospital.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on Part I. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance.

Report of
Insurance Com-
missioner,—fire
and marine
insurance.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance.

Report of Insur-
ance Commis-
sioner,—life,
casualty and
assessment
insurance.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule in each case, moved by Mr. Carpenter, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Rules, on an order, a Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court. The resolution was read, and under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Quincy, was adopted, as follows:—

Resolved, That, on the tenth day of June current, the General Court, if not prorogued at a prior date, request His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue it to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Prorogation of
the General
Court.

Sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Towns of Salisbury and Amesbury, — Newburyport bridge.

On motion of Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, the report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted) of the selectmen of Salisbury and Amesbury, for reimbursement for rebuilding the Newburyport bridge, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Leslie moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge," which was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Appropriation bill.

On motion of Mr. Brooks of West Springfield, the Bill making appropriations for the extermination of the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To legalize the action of the town of Danvers in establishing an electric light plant, and to authorize said town to generate and distribute electric light and power ;

Relative to laying out a public highway and constructing a bridge across the Connecticut River, between Holyoke and Chicopee ;

Relating to the building of a bridge connecting the city of Boston proper with East Boston ; and

Relating to the administering of oaths to persons bringing in lists of property for assessment ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company ;

To provide a public highway bridge across the reserved channel at South Boston ;

To authorize the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company to extend its railroad into the town of Douglas ;

To provide for the appointment of a board of sewerage

commissioners for the city of Woburn and to define their powers and duties ; and

To authorize the city of Marlborough to fill vacancies in its sewerage construction commission ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In relation to the Bill relating to taxes on the property and franchises of street railway companies ; Resolves passed.

Relating to allowances for assistance to district attorneys in proceedings under the Mystic and Charles River Valleys Sewage Disposal Act ; and

Providing for an investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Employers' Liability Act was further considered. Orders of the day.

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to amend chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, and subsequent acts in amendment thereof, to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service."

Mr. Gould of Chelsea moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to amend an act relating to the liability of employers." After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Day of Boston, and the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Warren was rejected. The bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Gould was also rejected, by a vote of 37 to 90, and the report of the committee was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the liability of employers was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to authorize and regulate the business of mercantile agencies, credit companies and collection bureaus

was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called, the House refused to order the bill to a third reading by a vote of 72 yeas to 95 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Barrett, Richard F.
Boodey, Charles H.
Breen, Daniel F.
Bright, Elmer H.
Brophy, James L.
Buchholz, Herman
Buckley, William P.
Bullock, Walter J. D.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Clapp, James W.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Curtis, Samuel N.
Fallon, J. Otis
Ferren, Myron J.
Finney, Elkanah
Fletcher, Charles T.
Gould, David E.
Greene, Edward W.
Haggerty, Roger
Harriman, Charles H.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Herrod, Edward E.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hickox, Stephen A.
Hobson, Charles H.
Howard, Timothy
Hurley, John T.
Judd, Myron H.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.

Messrs. Knowlton, George K.
Knox, James W.
Lakin, James A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Leslie, Horace G.
Lomasney, Joseph P.
Luby, Patrick B.
Lynch, John B.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McDonald, Peter J.
McEttrick, Michael J.
McKenna, George B.
McLoughlin, John T.
McSolla, Richard F.
Meade, William E.
Mellen, James H.
Mitchell, Michael J.
Mooney, William L.
O'Brien, John J.
Parker, James O.
Penney, Alonzo
Peterson, Benjamin F.
Prouty, John E. O.
Quinn, Patrick J.
Rady, Andrew J.
Rafferty, Patrick H.
Reid, James
Ripley, Samuel E.
Savage, Patrick J.
Shaw, Ebenezer
Smith, Elvin L.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Tilden, Charles A.
Tilton, Frank B.
Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H. Messrs. Bacheller, Charles M.
Austin, J. Lewis Baker, Charles H.

Messrs. Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bingham, Henry T.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Brooks, Ethan
 Brown, George H.
 Bucklin, Andrew J.
 Bullard, Henry B.
 Butler, William M.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clarke, George E.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Converse, Morton E.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Danforth, John M.
 Davis, Squire S.
 Day, Frederick B.
 Dewey, Henry S.
 Edson, Nathan
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fales, Nathan H.
 Frazer, Charles A.
 Gale, John A.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Handley, Aaron C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hemenway, Augustus
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hunting, Amos
 Hutchinson, Isaac P.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Keyes, Charles G.
 Kilmer, Frederick M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Kirby, Albert C.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.

Messrs. Lane, Hiram B.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lewis, James A.
 Longley, Henry C.
 Lord, Lucien
 Loud, John C.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 Monk, Hiram A.
 Murray, Michael J.
 Newell, Charles B.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Plummer, John M.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Rice, William H.
 Salter, John J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shaw, Charles F.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stearns, William H.
 Stevens, William S.
 Swallow, George N.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thompson, Edwin D.
 Thurston, Lysander
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Waterman, Eben C.
 Weston, Thomas
 Wetherell, Barney T.
 Wheaton, Henry C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Withington, Nathan N.
 Worcester, Charles F.
 Wright, William J.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chance, Charles J.*	Messrs. Wier, Fred N.
O'Neil, Eugene J.*	Ramage, James
Golding, John*	Kenrick, John, Jr.
Barrett, Harry H.*	Clark, Louis M.
Turner, Charles W.*	Carpenter, Erastus P.
Moreau, Louis E. P.*	Rideout, Malcolm E.

* Present.

On motion of Mr. McFarland of Wales, at a quarter past one o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, June 8, 1891.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Each Session a Legislative Day.

On motion of Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, —

Voted, That on and after Tuesday, June 9, each session of the House shall be considered a legislative day.

Each session of the House a legislative day.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, a Bill to enable the Foxborough water supply district to issue certain securities by a majority vote. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 8th joint rules, on motion of Mr. Carpenter, the 12th and 8th joint rules were severally suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules.

Foxborough water supply district.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, a Resolve in favor of the widow of the late William Allen. The resolve was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 8th joint rules, on motion of Mr. Gillett, the 12th and 8th joint rules were severally suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules.

William Allen, — widow of.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester: —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and six members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and consider and investigate the subject of the compensation of members of the General Court, with special reference to the question whether, upon the average, members suffer a pecuniary loss by their service at the rate of compensation now paid. Such

Joint special committee, — compensation of members of the General Court.

committee shall in connection with such subject also consider the question of the length of the sessions of the General Court and what steps, if any, can be taken to shorten the same.

Such committee shall report the result of its investigation to the next General Court during the month of January next, together with any recommendations which it may deem proper to make.

Such committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; the members thereof shall be allowed such sum for clerical and other expenses as may be determined by the Governor and Council.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Disbarred
attorneys.

Relating to disbarred attorneys and persons falsely representing themselves to be attorneys-at-law (being a new draft of the House Bill relating to disbarred attorneys) ;

Naturalization.

In relation to naturalization (being a new draft of the House Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization) ;

Unnecessary
averments in
complaints or
indictments.
Fines in
criminal cases.

Relating to unnecessary averments in complaints or indictments ; and

Relating to fines in criminal cases ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

City of Boston,
— public play-
ground at South
Boston.

A Bill to authorize the temporary use by the city of Boston of certain land of the Commonwealth at South Boston for a public play-ground ; and a

Mary E. O'Neill.

Resolve in favor of Mary E. O'Neill ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Town of
Hanover, —
water supply.

The House Bill to supply the town of Hanover with water and for other purposes came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Johnson of Haverhill, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to establish a nautical training school came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Nautical training school.

The Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with certain amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the amendments. On motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, the House insisted on its amendments, and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Stevens of Boston, Appleton of Peabody, and Reid of Reading were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent up for concurrence.

Tuberculosis in the food products of cattle.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to establish the salary of the private secretary of the Governor and the executive clerk of the Governor and Council was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Salaries of the private secretary of the Governor and the executive clerk of the Governor and Council.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Marlborough for the enactment of a law authorizing said city to raise the sum of \$100,000 for its sewerage system was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Drainage, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

City of Marlborough, — sewerage system.

A petition of Horace G. Kemp that a sum not exceeding \$800 be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to the Disabled Sailors' Employment Bureau was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Disabled Sailors' Employment Bureau.

A petition of the Albert Manufacturing Company for authority to purchase and hold such real estate in this Commonwealth as may be necessary to conduct its business was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule.

Albert Manufacturing Company.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House bills:—

Exceptions and appeals in criminal cases.

Publication of election expenses.

Naturalization.

Official stenographers for the superior court.

Weekly payment of wages.

In relation to exceptions and appeals in criminal cases;

To secure the publication of election expenses;

To amend chapter 343 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to fees for naturalization;

In relation to the duties of official stenographers for the superior court; and

To amend an act to provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations (introduced on leave).

Reports of Committees.

Town of Concord,—
trustees of
town donations.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the trustees of town donations of Concord. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the rule was suspended and the bill was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court.

Trials of speed of horses.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to prescribing the terms under which trials of speed of horses may take place.

Town of Webster,—
town meeting.

By Mr. Worcester of Townsend, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Webster, that the proceedings of a meeting of said town held in the present year may be legalized.

Topographical Survey Commission.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the message of His Excellency the Governor relative to the Topographical Survey Commission, and transmitting a communication from said commission.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Marlborough,—
sewerage disposal.

By Mr. Lanigan of Boston, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Marlborough to raise the additional sum of \$100,000 for its system of sewerage and sewage disposal. Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relative to affidavits in poor debtor cases ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Poor debtors, —
affidavits.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Resolution relating to the imprisonment of Mrs. Clarietta Johnson ought not to be adopted. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolution.

Clarietta
Johnson.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the following bills : —

To enable the town of Melrose to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

Town of
Melrose, —
municipal
lighting.

To enable the town of Marblehead to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

Town of
Marblehead, —
municipal
lighting.

To enable the town of Peabody to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

Town of
Peabody, —
municipal
lighting.

To enable the town of Hingham to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

Town of
Hingham, —
municipal
lighting.

To enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ; and

Town of
Wakefield, —
municipal
lighting.

To enable the town of Hudson to construct and maintain a system of municipal lighting ;

Town of
Hudson, —
municipal
lighting.

Were severally taken from the table, and were, on motions of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, severally placed on file, pending the question, in each case, on ordering to a third reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Cambridge, the Bill relating to the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Towns of
Salisbury
and Amesbury,
— Newburyport
bridge.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To ratify certain proceedings of the town of Richmond ;

Bills enacted.

Relating to the fees to be paid in the district and municipal courts in the city of Boston ; and

To provide for the appointment of the Charles River Improvement Commission ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Relating to brakemen on freight trains ;

In relation to the Bill to incorporate the Boston Railway Company ; and

Providing for the payment of current expenses and for the erection of a new laundry and boiler-house at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Bills :

Relative to the settlement of insolvent estates in certain cases after the decease of the original assignee ; and

To authorize the Commissioners of Savings Banks to prevent foreign co-operative banking corporations from transacting business in this Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Interstate Street Railway Company to extend its tracks into the towns of Attleborough, North Attleborough and Seekonk was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the protection of dairy products and to establish a State dairy bureau was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Lakin of Westfield moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 5, as follows :—

“ *Sect. 5.* Whoever furnishes or causes to be furnished in any hotel, restaurant or at any lunch counter, oleomargarine or butterine to any guest or patron of such hotel, restaurant or lunch counter, in the place or stead of butter, shall notify said guest or patron that the substance so furnished is not butter, and any party so furnishing without such notice shall be punished by a fine

of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each offence."

The amendment was adopted by a vote of 104 to 10.

The same gentleman further moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 6, which was adopted, as follows:—

"*Sect. 6.* The Governor, by and with the consent of the Council, shall appoint an assistant to the secretary of the Board of Agriculture at an annual salary of \$1,200 and expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of his duties, to assist in the work prescribed in the tenth section of this act. Said appointee shall hold office for two years or till his successor is appointed, unless sooner removed from office by the Governor, and his successor shall be appointed as above provided for."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to provide for the better representation of the leading political parties on boards of registrars of voters was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. McLoughlin of Milford moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to registrars of voters." The bill was read. Mr. Dewey of Boston raised the point of order that the bill moved as a substitute was broader in its scope than the order upon which the bill was reported. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the bill moved as a substitute was ruled out.

The bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 1, as follows:—

"*Section 1.* The Board of Police of the city of Boston shall retire from active service and place upon the pension roll any member of the police department who has performed faithful service in said department not less than twenty years, if in the judgment of the board said officer is incapacitated for useful service on said force; also, said board shall place upon the pension roll all members of the police department who have performed faithful service in

said department and who are sixty-five or more years of age; also, said board shall place upon the pension roll any member who has served twenty or more years of faithful service in said department, who has received an honorable discharge from the army or navy, when such member so requests: *provided, however*, that no officer shall be retired under the provisions of this act unless such action is approved in writing by the mayor of the city of Boston."

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by inserting after the word "has" the words "become disabled from injuries received in the actual performance of duty or who has." After debate the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the message of His Excellency the Governor, relating to the claim of Theodore E. Davis against the Commonwealth in the matter of the direct tax, and transmitting an opinion of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth in relation to the legality of said claim, was considered, and after debate was accepted.

The Bill to assent to the purpose of and to accept the grants of money authorized by Congress, under an act entitled "An Act to apply the proceeds from the public lands to the more complete endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendments, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally adopted. The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Finance, to wit: Add at the end of section 2 the words "unless the courts shall decide that the act of Congress distributed said money," was amended on motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket by striking out after the word "Congress" the words "distributed said money" and inserting in place thereof the words "granted all said money to the Massachusetts Agricultural College," and, as amended, was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, at ten minutes before four o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 9, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, a Bill relating to the removal of truants to union truant schools. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Butler, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Removal of
truants to union
truant schools.

By Mr. Barrett of Melrose (Mr. Quincy of Quincy in the chair), a Bill to authorize the town of Melrose to make an additional water loan. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 8th joint rules, on motion of Mr. Barrett, the 12th and 8th joint rules were severally suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules.

Town of Mel-
rose, — water
loan.

Order.

The order, laid over from yesterday, relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess and consider and investigate the subject of the compensation of members of the General Court was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Meade of Salem, it was adopted by a vote of 111 to 29, and sent up for concurrence.

Joint special
committee, —
compensation of
members of the
General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Walter L. Gilbert and others for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of fish artificially propagated, accepted by the Senate,

Sale of fish
artificially
propagated.

was read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Anatomical
science.

A Bill to amend chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act relating to the promotion of anatomical science" (being a bill introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Salaries of the
first and second
clerks in the
office of the
Secretary of the
Commonwealth.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to establish the salaries of the first and second clerks in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Uniformity of
legislation in the
United States.

The House Bill to establish a board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, in section 2, line 4, by striking out the words "descent and distribution of property;" also in line 6 of the same section by striking out the words "and other subjects." On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rule was suspended, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

City of Boston,
— pensions for
members of the
fire department.

The House Bill to amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kittredge of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Contingent
remainders.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill concerning contingent remainders had been referred by that branch to the next General Court.

Powers of
boards of
license com-
missioners.

Also of the rejection by the Senate of the House Bill relating to the powers of boards of license commissioners.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on State tax.
Finance, on all matters relating to the finances of the
Commonwealth, a Bill to apportion and assess a State tax
of \$1,750,000. Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Mary E. O'Neill.
Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Mary E.
O'Neill ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for
the afternoon for a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote
whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with
the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the
petition of the Albert Manufacturing Company for author-
ity to purchase and hold such real estate in this Common-
wealth as may be necessary to conduct its business. The
motion prevailed, and the question recurring on the sus-
pension of the rule, it was suspended, and the petition was
returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Albert Manu-
facturing Com-
pany.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston moved to reconsider the vote
whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in
concurrence, the "Bill relating to pensioning members of
the police department of the city of Boston."

City of Boston,
— pensioning
members of
police depart-
ment.

After debate the motion prevailed by a vote of 78 to 52.
Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the
bill, Mr. Kittredge moved to amend in section 1, lines 2,
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, by striking out the words "may,
at his own request, retire from active service and place
upon the pension roll any member of the police depart-
ment who has performed faithful service in said depart-
ment for a period of not less than twenty years, if in the
judgment of the board said officer is incapacitated for
useful service on said force, and said board;" also, in
line 9, by striking out the word "such" and inserting in
place thereof the word "active;" also, in line 10, by
striking out the word "said" and inserting in place
thereof the words "the police;" also, in lines 11 and
12, by striking out the words "except the superintendent
and deputy-superintendent thereof;" also, in section 2,
line 3, by striking out the word "one-half" and insert-
ing in place thereof the word "one-third."

After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was rejected by a vote of 52 to 66, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making an appropriation for the extermination of the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ;

To establish a nautical training school ;

To incorporate the Hanover Water Company ; and

Making appropriations for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital, for expenses in connection with the abolition of grade crossings, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the Interstate Street Railway Company to extend its tracks into the towns of Attleborough, North Attleborough and Seekonk ; and

To provide for the better representation of the leading political parties on boards of registrars of voters ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Webster, that the proceedings of a meeting of said town held in the present year may be legalized ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to prescribing the terms under which trials of speed of horses may take place ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the message of His Excellency the Governor relative to the Topographical Survey Commission, and transmitting a communica-

tion from said commission, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to affidavits in poor debtor cases ; and

To enable the city of Marlborough to raise the additional sum of \$100,000 for its system of sewerage and sewage disposal ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Commissioners of Savings Banks to prevent foreign co-operative banking corporations from transacting business in this Commonwealth ; and

Relative to the settlement of insolvent estates in certain cases after the decease of the original assignee ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, that the Resolution relating to the imprisonment of Mrs. Clarietta Johnson ought not to be adopted, was considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend the report by striking out the words "ought not to be adopted" and inserting in place thereof the words "be placed on file." The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted, and the resolution was accordingly placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Gould of Chelsea, at sixteen minutes past twelve o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill in relation to naturalization ought to pass. Naturalization.

By Mr. Gould of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to fines in criminal cases ought to pass. Fines in criminal cases.

By Mr. Butler of New Bedford, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to disbarred attorneys and persons falsely representing themselves to be attor- Disbarred attorneys.

neys-at-law ought to pass, with the following amendment: Add a new section, to wit: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect January 1 in the year 1892."

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bridge across
Cohasset Nar-
rows, between
Wareham and
Bourne.

Mr. Mott of Taunton, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne, reported recommending that the House should recede from its amendment at "A," striking out in section 1 the words "whenever the towns of Wareham and Bourne by vote of a majority of the legal voters of each of said towns present and voting, at town meetings duly called for the purpose, request them so to do, are hereby authorized," and inserting in place thereof the words "are hereby directed," and that the bill, as passed to be engrossed by the Senate, be amended by inserting after the word "whenever" (in section 1, line 2, as printed) the words "either of;" and by striking out the word "each" (in section 1, line 4, as printed) and inserting in place thereof the word "either." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,750,000; and the

Resolve in favor of Mary E. O'Neill;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To amend chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act relating to the promotion of anatomical science;" and

Relative to affidavits in poor debtor cases;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to establish a board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Walter L. Gilbert and others for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of fish artificially propagated, was considered.

Mr. Finney of Plymouth moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to the sale of fishes artificially propagated and maintained." After debate the bill was substituted, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to enable the city of Marlborough to raise the additional sum of \$100,000 for its system of sewerage and sewage disposal was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bill of Paxton, at twenty-seven minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 10, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

*Introduced on Leave.*Order of
Scottish Clans.

By Mr. Leslie of Amesbury, a Bill to authorize the Order of Scottish Clans to hold its meetings outside the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 8th joint rules, on motion of Mr. Leslie, the 12th and 8th joint rules were severally suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules.

*Papers from the Senate.*Thomas H.
Bacon,—ship
canal from
Nantucket
Sound to Cape
Cod Bay.

A report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

A Bill relating to the organization of safe deposit, loan and trust companies (reported on the message from the Governor relative to safe deposit and trust companies and loan and trust companies) (Mr. Stevens of Boston, of the House, dissenting), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

The House Bill imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Town of Mel-
rose,— water
loan.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to authorize the town of Melrose to make an additional water loan came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th and 8th joint rules. On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose

(Mr. Quincy of Quincy in the chair), the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to enable the Foxborough water supply district to issue certain securities by a majority vote came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th and 8th joint rules. On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) relating to the removal of truants to union truant schools came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, the rule was suspended and the bill was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Butler moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) in favor of the widow of the late William Allen came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th and 8th joint rules. On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence in the House amendments and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, and that Messrs. Southwick, Kimball and Haggerty had been appointed the committee on the part of that branch.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to establish the salary of the executive messenger was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

University Club
of Boston.

The House petition of F. H. Gillett, for the incorporation of Walbridge A. Field, John Lowell, William Gaston, Phillips Brooks, James M. Barker, Henry L. Higginson and others as the University Club of Boston, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of Everett,
— system of electric lighting.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of the town of Everett, for an act enabling it to construct and maintain a system of electric lighting, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Also that the following House bills had severally been referred by the Senate to the next General Court:—

Railroad crossings.

To require railroad corporations to maintain crossings in certain cases; and

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.
Gurnet Bridge Company.

Relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Also that the engrossed Bill to authorize the Gurnet Bridge Company to construct its bridge without a draw had been rejected by the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Aggregates of
polls, property,
taxes, etc.,
assessed.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1890. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Clarke.

Departments of
public service,—
appropriations.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the statement of estimates calling for appropriations for the several departments of the public service for the year 1890. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Loud.

Auditor of
Accounts,— abstract of report.

By Mr. Kilmer of Somerville, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the abstract of the report of the Auditor of the Commonwealth for the year ending Dec. 21, 1890. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kilmer.

State arsenal
and camp
ground at South
Framingham.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, under section 89 of chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, a report on the condition of the State arsenal and camp ground at South Framingham. (House, No. 577.) Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the University Club of Boston. Read and ordered to a second reading.

University Club
of Boston.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relating to land held in the city of Boston and vicinity for speculative purposes, and the condition of families resident in rented tenements, ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor,—land
held for specu-
lative purposes.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the temporary use by the city of Boston of certain lands of the Commonwealth at South Boston for a public play ground ought not to pass (Messrs. Hemenway of Canton and Crowley of Boston dissenting). Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

City of Boston,
—South Boston
play ground.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,750,000 was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Finance.

State tax.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To establish a board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States;

Bills enacted

In relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston; and

To authorize the city of Quincy to introduce a public water supply;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To authorize the Commissioners of Savings Banks to prevent foreign co-operative banking corporations from transacting business in this Commonwealth; and

Relative to the settlement of insolvent estates in certain cases after the decease of the original assignee;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Bill to divide the Commonwealth into districts for the choice of representatives in the Congress of the United States was put upon its final passage. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved to amend by striking out the enacting clause. After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly. On the question on striking out the enacting clause the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 82 yeas to 121 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs.	Hartshorn, James A.
	Atkins, Edwin A.		Hickox, Stephen A.
	Babson, Fitz J.		Hinckley, Charles E.
	Baker, Charles H.		Horton, Everett S.
	Bartlett, Robert G.		Howe, Edward C.
	Bill, Ledyard		Howe, S. Augustus
	Bingham, Henry T.		Hutchinson, Isaac P.
	Blanchard, S. Stillman		Jenkins, Robert B.
	Bliss, Frederic W.		Kenrick, John, Jr.
	Britton, Henry W.		Kilmer, Frederick M.
	Brooks, Ethan		Kittredge, Francis W.
	Bucklin, Andrew J.		Lakin, James A.
	Bullard, Henry B.		Lane, Howard G.
	Butler, William M.		Langdon, Henry W.
	Carpenter, Erastus P.		Lawrence, William B.
	Clapp, James W.		Lewis, James A.
	Clark, Louis M.		Longley, Henry C.
	Clarke, George E.		Loud, John C.
	Clough, George S.		Luther, Haile R.
	Coburn, Clarence G.		Marston, Dudley J.
	Corbett, Myron L.		Monk, Hiram A.
	Danforth, John M.		Murray, Michael J.
	Davis, Squire S.		Newell, Charles B.
	Day, Frederick B.		Olmstead, James M.
	Dewey, Henry S.		Penney, Alonzo
	Dickinson, Henry S.		Perkins, George W.
	Edson, Nathan		Pickering, Benjamin P.
	Fales, Nathan H.		Plummer, John M.
	Ferren, Myron J.		Pomeroy, John P.
	Fears, Isaac P.		Pratt, Amasa
	Gammons, Benjamin		Prouty, John E. O.
	Gardner, Arthur H.		Read, Franklin F.
	Giles, Joseph J.		Rice, William H.
	Gillett, Frederick H.		Richardson, Albert W.
	Greene, Edward W.		Sawyer, Samuel L.

Messrs. Sohler, William D.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Thomas, Harrison O.
 Tibbetts, Edwin A.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Henry E.

Messrs. Tuttle, William H. H.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waterman, Eben C.
 White, Franklin B.
 Whitney, Edwin
 Williams, Hezekiah W.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Barrett, Harry H.
 Barretts, Richard F.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Boodey, Charles H.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Bright, Elmer H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brophy, James L.
 Brown, George H.
 Buchholz, Herman
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, Patrick
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Child, Daniel R.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Curtis, Francis C.
 Curtis, Samuel N.
 Ellis, Edward C.
 Emery, S. Hopkins
 Ensign, Charles S.
 Fairbanks, John W.
 Fallon, J. Otis
 Fallon, Thomas F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fletcher, Charles T.
 Flood, Nathan B.
 Gale, John A.
 Golding, John
 Haggerty, Roger
 Handley, Aaron C.

Messrs. Harding, N. Frank
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Henderson, Charles W.
 Herrod, Edward E.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howard, Timothy
 Howe, Archibald M.
 Hunting, Amos
 Hurley, John T.
 Johnson, Henry H.
 Judd, Myron H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kemp, Parker J.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knowlton, George K.
 Knox, James W.
 Ladd, Nathaniel W.
 Lane, Hiram B.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leslie, Horace G.
 Lomasney, Joseph P.
 Lord, Lucien
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McDonald, Peter J.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 McFarland, Herbert A.
 McFethries, John
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meade, William E.
 Mellen, James H.

Messrs. Mooney, William L.	Messrs. Ripley, Samuel E.
Moreau, Louis E. P.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Savage, Patrick J.
Mott, Edward	Shaw, Ebenezer
Nutting, Arthur F.	Smith, Charles S.
Oakes, William H.	Smith, Elvin L.
O'Brien, John	Sparhawk, Henry C.
O'Brien, John J.	Stearns, William H.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Parker, James O.	Swallow, George N.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Thurston, Lysander
Peterson, Benjamin F.	Tilden, Charles A.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Tilton, Frank B.
Prescho, Edward W.	Turner, Charles W.
Quincy, Josiah	Wetherell, Barney T.
Quinn, Patrick J.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Rady, Andrew J.	Withington, Nathan N.
Ramage, James	Worcester, Charles F.
Reid, James	Wright, William J.
Richardson, Arthur C.	

Yeas, 82 ; Nays, 121.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Stevens, William S.	Messrs. Sprague, Charles F.*
Weston, Thomas*	Rideout, Malcolm E.

* Present.

The bill was then passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the day.

Relating to fines in criminal cases ; and

In relation to naturalization ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to disbarred attorneys and persons falsely representing themselves to be attorneys-at-law was read a second time. The amendment recommended by the committee on the Judiciary was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of Mary E. O'Neill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the sale of fishes artificially propagated or maintained was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Bill of Paxton moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by inserting after the word "maintained" the words "in the county of Plymouth." Mr. Babson of Gloucester moved that the bill and pending amendment be referred to the next General Court, which motion was lost by a vote of 39 to 74. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. McFarland of Wales, the amendment moved by Mr. Bill was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 73 to 40.

On motion of Mr. Greene of North Andover, at twenty minutes before one o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, a Bill providing for the compensation of members of the Legislature. The bill was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, Mr. Turner moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended.

Compensation
of members of
the General
Court.

Mr. Bill of Paxton raised the point of order that the bill had not been properly considered by the committee on Rules. The Speaker stated that it was not within the province of the chair to decide as to the internal workings of the committee on Rules, but only whether or not the report of that committee was in proper form. In this case the report seemed to be in proper form and complied with the rules of the House, and he therefore declared the point of order not well taken.

Point of order.

After debate the 12th joint rule was suspended by a vote of 152 to 11, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Lane of Gloucester, —

Pay roll of
members of the
House.

Ordered, That the committee on Pay Roll are hereby instructed to make up the pay roll for the compensation of members for attendance during the present session of the Legislature; also the mileage, to be computed according to the table of distance established by order of the House of Representatives, adopted Feb. 4, 1869, and that the pay of Roger Haggerty of Boston be made up for the full session.

Papers from the Senate.

Malignant and
contagious dis-
eases.

A Bill to provide for the detention and treatment of inmates of penal and charitable institutions who are afflicted with certain malignant diseases (reported on an order and petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Soldiers' Mes-
senger Corps.

A Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Salary of the
private secre-
tary of the Gov-
ernor and the
executive clerk
of the Governor
and Council.

A Bill to establish the salary of the private secretary of the Governor and the executive clerk of the Governor and Council (being a bill introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, took its several readings, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State dairy
bureau.

The Senate Bill to provide for the protection of dairy products and to establish a State dairy bureau, passed to be engrossed by the House, in concurrence, with amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the amendment at "A," and also in the amendment at "B" with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Bill of Paxton, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the Senate amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Salary of the
executive mes-
senger.

A Bill to establish the salary of the executive messenger (being a bill introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane in eastern Massachusetts, to be known as the Medfield State Asylum, was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule by a vote of 87 to 51.

Asylum for the chronic insane in eastern Massachusetts.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company came down with the endorsement that it had been returned to the Senate by the Governor at its request, that its enactment had been reconsidered, and that it had been amended at "A" by inserting the words "two hundred thousand dollars of said sum shall be and remain subject to the same trusts and liabilities, to be enforced by the Supreme Judicial Court in the same manner as the deposit made by the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company, as set forth in section 19 of chapter 259 of the Acts of the year 1883 and section 4 of chapter 222 of the Acts of the year 1887, and subject to the damages under this act to land owners and to the Old Colony Railroad;" also at "B" by striking out the words "of which;" also at "C" by inserting the words "or to the Old Colony Railroad Company"

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the rules were suspended, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Report of a Committee.

Mr. Stevens of Boston, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle, reported recommending that the House recede from its amendments. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stevens, and sent up for concurrence.

Tuberculosis in the food products of cattle.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Relating to the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge (which originated in the House);

Bills enacted.

Relative to affidavits in poor debtor cases ;

To amend chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled an act relating to the promotion of anatomical science ; and

Providing for the construction of a public highway bridge across Cohasset Narrows, between the towns of Wareham and Bourne ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve in favor of Mary E. O'Neill (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the University Club of Boston was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the organization of safe deposit, loan and trust companies was read a second time and considered. After debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Stevens of Boston, referred to the next General Court, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relating to fines in criminal cases was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to disbarred attorneys and persons falsely representing themselves to be attorneys-at-law was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relating to land held in the city of Boston and vicinity for speculative purposes, and the condition of families resident in rented tenements, was considered, the question being on

its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance. Mr. Stevens of Boston raised the point of order that the resolve was beyond the scope of the petition on which it was reported. The Speaker declared the point of order not well taken. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rejection of the resolve was negatived, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Point of order.

The Bill to authorize the temporary use by the city of Boston of certain lands of the Commonwealth at South Boston for a public play ground was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rejection of the bill was negatived, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments printed in the calendar. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, the House concurred in the several amendments by a vote of 85 to 5, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill in relation to naturalization was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend, in lines 15 and 35 respectively, by inserting after the word "resides," in each case, the following words: "Uniform forms for such primary declarations, and also for final applications for naturalization as provided for by the following section, shall be prescribed by the attorney-general and shall be furnished by the secretary of the Commonwealth to all courts having jurisdiction under this act; such blanks shall at all times be kept on hand by the clerks of such courts and shall be furnished by them upon application."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the amendments were severally rejected by a vote of 46 to 52, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the sale of fishes artificially propagated or maintained was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Finney of Plymouth moved to amend by adding three new sections, to be numbered sections 3, 4 and 5, as follows : —

“ *Sect. 3.* Every person intending to propagate or maintain fish to be sold under the provisions of this act shall before selling any such fish file with the secretary of the Commonwealth a form of metallic tag to be used by him, bearing his name and residence.

“ *Sect. 4.* A fish shall not be deemed to be artificially propagated or maintained, under this act, unless when exposed for sale it has attached to it by a wire passed through its gill the aforesaid tag of the person by whom it was propagated or maintained, corresponding with the tag filed by him under the preceding section.

“ *Sect 5.* Whoever sells or offers for sale any fish artificially propagated and not tagged or marked as herein provided shall be punished by a fine of ten dollars for every fish sold or offered for sale.”

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, at twenty-five minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 11, 1891.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Murray of Fitchburg, a Resolve in favor of the messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives. The resolve was read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Murray, the 12th joint rule was suspended and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Subsequently the resolve came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Murray, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second time. Mr. Sohler of Beverly moved to amend by inserting after the word "sergeant-at-arms" the words "the extra clerks of the Senate and House, the clerk in the document room, the messenger of the Expenditures committee and the two elevator men." The amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Murray, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

A petition, presented by Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, of Thomas Fallon and others, that Bridget Bannon may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Woodsum, the 12th joint rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Bridget
Broadfoot.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mitchell of Boston, of M. J. Mitchell, that Bridget Broadfoot may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mitchell, the 12th joint rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

George H.
Gould.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of J. P. Lomasney that George H. Gould may be made eligible to receive State aid, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Albert Manu-
facturing Com-
pany.

A Bill to authorize the Albert Manufacturing Company to hold real estate within the Commonwealth (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Horace A. Rip-
ley, Benjamin
F. Bowman,
Charles F. Bow-
man and Charles
Drake.

A Resolve in favor of Horace A. Ripley, Benjamin F. Bowman, Charles F. Bowman and Charles Drake (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Foxborough
water supply
district.

The House Bill to enable the Foxborough water supply district to issue certain securities by a majority vote came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Carpenter of Foxborough, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Removal of
truants to union
truant schools.

The House Bill relative to the removal of truants to union truant schools came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Butler of New Bedford, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Joint special
committee, —
compensation of
members of the
General Court.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection, by that branch, of the House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to consider the subject of compensation of members of the General Court.

Also of the rejection by the Senate of the following House bills:—

To establish a board of commissioners for revising and amending the laws relating to corporations and taxation, and for promoting uniformity between tax and corporation laws of this Commonwealth and of other States; and

Taxation of corporations.

Concerning the implied revocation of wills and the lapse of devises and legacies.

Revocation of wills.

Also that the House Bill to provide for the purchase and distribution of regimental histories had been referred by the Senate to the next General Court.

Regimental histories.

Also that the engrossed Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (which was returned by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto) had failed to pass.

Asylum for the chronic insane.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill (recommitted) to apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,750,000 ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,500,000." Read and ordered to a second reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Ladd, the rules were suspended, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

State tax.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Senate Bill relating to unnecessary averments in complaints or indictments. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dewey, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Unnecessary averments in complaints or indictments.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Blanchard of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday afternoon, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane in eastern Massachusetts, to be known as the Medfield State Asylum. After debate the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 48 to 80.

Asylum for the chronic insane in eastern Massachusetts.

*Discharged from the Orders.***Malignant contagious diseases.**

On motion of Mr Butler of New Bedford, the Bill to provide for the detention and treatment of inmates of penal and charitable institutions who are afflicted with certain malignant diseases was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

University Club of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the University Club of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Marlborough to raise the additional sum of \$100,000 for the purpose of constructing and maintaining its system of sewerage and sewage disposal ;

To give the probate courts jurisdiction in equity in the administration of the estates of deceased persons ;

To require an affidavit in petitions for administration of estates of deceased persons ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to make an additional water loan ;

Relating to disbarred attorneys and persons falsely representing themselves to be attorneys-at-law ;

To establish the salaries of the first and second clerks in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ; and
In relation to naturalization ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company ;

To establish the salary of the private secretary of the Governor and the executive clerk of the Governor and Council ;

Relating to fines in criminal cases ; and

To provide for the protection of dairy products and to establish a State dairy bureau ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of certain veterans of the town of Scituate ; Resolves passed.
and

In favor of the widow of the late William Allen ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Providing for an investigation by the State Board of Agriculture into the dangers arising from tuberculosis in the food products of cattle (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relating to land held in the city of Boston and vicinity for speculative purposes, and the condition of families resident in rented tenements, was read a second time. Orders of the day.

Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to amend in line 7 by striking out the word "and ;" also by striking out in lines 7 and 8 the words "the average amount of income of each family," and inserting in place thereof the words "and occupation ;" also in lines 12 and 13, by striking out the words "are hereby appropriated," and inserting in place thereof the words "shall be paid out of the treasury."

The amendments were severally adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the rules were further suspended and the resolve was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House, including an amendment to the title, moved by Mr. Sohier, striking out the words "land held in the city of Boston and vicinity for speculative purposes and the condition of," and adding at the end of the title the words "in the city of Boston."

The Bill to authorize the temporary use by the city of Boston of certain lands of the Commonwealth at South Boston for a public play ground was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Lomasney of

Boston, the bill was ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Meade of Salem, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Boston, at twenty minutes past twelve o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Resolutions Presented.

The following resolution, presented by Mr. Emery of Taunton, was unanimously adopted:—

World's Columbian Exposition,
— observance of
the Lord's day.

Whereas, Massachusetts, in all its past history, has been true to the Pilgrim spirit which planted the Old Colony and laid the foundation of this great Republic,

Therefore, To the members of this House it seems meet and proper that, in the coming World's Columbian Exposition in the city of Chicago, this State should make manifest to the world the sentiment of the people on the subject of the Lord's day, as it has been expressed by public statute and the general practice of the inhabitants of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Kittredge of Boston offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:—

Charles W. Flint, member
of the House of
Representatives
from the twentieth
Middlesex
district.

Resolved, That the members of the House of Representatives, in this closing hour of its session, hear with regret of the continued illness of our much-respected fellow-member, Charles W. Flint, representing the twentieth Middlesex district; and therefore

Resolved, That the House of Representatives hereby extends to him the best wishes of all its members for his permanent recovery of health and strength and a speedy return to the duties of the State and of citizenship, which in health he has so faithfully performed.

On motion of Mr. Kittredge, the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of the resolutions to Mr. Flint.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House be added as members to the joint special committee on a general municipal law, to sit during the recess.

President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, — joint special committee, — general municipal law.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas Fallon and others that Bridget Bannon may be made eligible to receive State aid, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg.

Bridget Bannon.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House petition and House bills had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule: —

Petition of M. J. Mitchell, that Bridget Broadfoot may be made eligible to receive State aid;

Bridget Broadfoot.

Bill (on leave) providing for the compensation of members of the Legislature; and the

Compensation of members of the General Court.

Bill (on leave) to authorize the order of Scottish Clans to hold its meetings outside the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Order of Scottish Clans.

Notice was also received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill relative to the sale of fishes artificially propagated or maintained.

Sale of fishes artificially propagated.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dewey of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Albert Manufacturing Company to hold real estate within this Commonwealth ought to pass, with an amendment, inserting after the word "Commonwealth" the words "upon the banks of the Mystic River not exceeding \$50,000 in value." On motion of Mr. Dewey, the rule was suspended and the bill was read a second time, amended as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and as amended was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Dewey, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Albert Manufacturing Company.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Ladd of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in further addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law. Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ladd, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Horace A. Rip-
ley, Benjamin
F. Bowman,
Charles F. Bow-
man and Charles
Drake.

By Mr. Peterson of Whitman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Horace A. Ripley, Benjamin F. Bowman, Charles F. Bowman and Charles Drake ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Ladd of Boston, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Salary of the
executive mes-
senger.

By Mr. Hemenway of Canton, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the executive messenger ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Butler of New Bedford, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Soldiers' Mes-
senger Corps.

By Mr. Clarke of Falmouth, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Clarke, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the
committee on
Pay Roll.

By Mr. Lane of Gloucester, from the committee on Pay Roll, who were instructed to make up the pay roll of the members of the House of Representatives, that the following order, with the accompanying schedule, should be adopted:—

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$180,750 is due to the members of the House of Representatives for attendance at the present session of the General Court, and that the sum of \$1,882 is due for compensation for mileage, is approved; and that the same be sent to the treasurer and receiver-general.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the order was adopted, and signed by the Speaker.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To assent to the purpose of and to accept the grants Bills enacted.
of money authorized by Congress for the more complete
endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of
agriculture and the mechanic arts ;

Relative to the removal of truants to union truant
schools ;

Imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions ;

To incorporate the University Club of Boston ;

To authorize the Foxborough water supply district to
issue certain securities by a majority vote ;

To apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,500,000 ;

Relating to the punishment of drunkenness ; and

In further addition to the several acts making appro-
priations for expenses authorized the present year and for
certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To provide for the detention and treatment of inmates
of penal or State charitable institutions or municipal alms-
houses who are afflicted with certain malignant diseases ;

To authorize the temporary use by the city of Boston of
certain land of the Commonwealth at South Boston for a
public play ground ;

To establish the salary of the executive messenger ; and

To authorize the Albert Manufacturing Company to
hold real estate within this Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the messengers and pages of the Senate and Resolves
passed.
House of Representatives (which originated in the
House) ;

Providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics
of Labor of certain statistics relative to families in rented
tenements in the city of Boston ;

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ; and

In favor of Horace A. Ripley, Benjamin F. Bowman,
Charles F. Bowman and Charles Drake ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Paper from the Senate.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following engrossed resolves:—

Town of Scituate, — bounty for certain veterans.

Horace A. Ripley, Benjamin F. Bowman, Charles F. Bowman, Charles F. Drake.
Orders of the day.

In favor of certain veterans of the town of Scituate; and
In favor of Horace A. Ripley, Benjamin F. Bowman, Charles F. Bowman and Charles F. Drake.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of J. P. Lomasney, that George P. Gould may be made eligible to receive State aid, was accepted, in concurrence.

Joint Special Committees Appointed.

Joint special committees.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following-named Senators had been appointed to represent that branch on the several joint special committees hereafter named:—

To represent the Commonwealth at the celebration of the dedication of the Bennington battle monument: Messrs. Risteen, Savage, Low, Cooke and Cady.

To convey to Congress the resolution relating to couplers and brakes on freight cars: Mr. Howard.

To consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter: Messrs. Smith, Haggerty and McDonald.

To consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions: Messrs. Pinkerton and McNary.

To consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred subjects: Messrs. Bennett, Thayer and Fernald.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the members on the part of the House of the several joint special committees, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate:—

To represent the Commonwealth at the celebration of the dedication of the Bennington battle monument:

Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill, Mellen of Worcester, Baker of Lynn, Worcester of Townsend, Moore of Wal-
tham, Lewis of Fairhaven, Lomasney of Boston, Dickinson of Springfield, Barrett of Concord, Howard of Newton,
Parker of Methuen, Flood of North Adams, Child of
Swanzy and Brown of West Brookfield.

To convey to Congress the resolution relating to
couplers and brakes on freight cars: Messrs. Kimball of
Fitchburg and Powers of Hyde Park.

To consider the subject of greater uniformity and
system in the provisions of law relative to the several
cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general
form of municipal charter: Messrs. Kittredge of Boston,
Ladd of Boston, McEttrick of Boston, Turner of Malden,
Bullock of Fall River and Finney of Plymouth.

To consider the subject of changing, consolidating or
abolishing the various State commissions: Messrs. Tuttle
of Arlington, Quincy of Quincy, Johnson of Haverhill,
Mott of Taunton and Lynch of Boston.

To consider the advisability of changing the present
system of recording and indexing the records of deeds,
mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring
to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred sub-
jects: Messrs. Butler of New Bedford, Rice of Worcester,
Clark of Boston, Wier of Lowell, Howard of North
Brookfield and Warren of Boston.

Resolutions.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park being in the chair, Mr.
McEttrick of Boston offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representa-
tives be and hereby are tendered to the Hon. William E.
Barrett for the marked ability, invariable courtesy and
perfect impartiality with which he has discharged the duty
of the Speaker of the House during the session.

Resolution of
thanks to the
Speaker.

After remarks by Messrs. McEttrick of Boston, Car-
penter of Brookline, Kittredge of Boston, Parker of
Methuen, Gillett of Springfield, Buckley of Holyoke,
Murray of Fitchburg, Mellen of Worcester, Wardwell of
Haverhill and Quincy of Quincy, the resolution was
unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Speaker resumed the chair and spoke as follows:—

Mr. Speaker and Fellow-Members. It has always been
the custom, so far as I know, that after the usual expres-

sion of courteous thanks to the presiding officer has been adopted by the House of Representatives at its closing hour, the Speaker should resume the chair, and from that position address the House in some few words of appreciation and thanks. I do not find it in my heart at this time to resume the chair for this occasion, because there is a feeling within me that I do not occupy any position singled out from that occupied by every member of the House, but that I return into your midst as I came from your midst on the first day of the session, and having endeavored to perform the duties which you then intrusted to me, I lay them down and return, not as a single individual, but as one of two hundred and forty, to the people from which we sprung and to which we are now about to return.

I wish to comment on the fact that this afternoon we are closing this session, not in the hurry and confusion of a midnight hour, not when things are rushing on in turbulent conclusion to their close, but, having finished our business in the broad sunlight of midday, having perfected our affairs not only figuratively in the sight and eyes of men, but literally when the sun in the broad heavens shines down upon us, we end the session in a spirit of friendship, of kindness, which seeks no darkness to hide behind, but takes pride in standing here in the face of the Commonwealth and saying, "People of Massachusetts, we have done the best that we could; whatever we have done is done because we believed it to be right, and now we submit our actions to you for your approval or disapproval, as they shall deserve."

Elected at the beginning of this session for the third time as Speaker of this House, having served uninterruptedly in that capacity as long as has been the case of any man for years, I think I may speak the sweet and fragrant memories which must come to any man who has appreciated and felt the confidence of those about them, and who is able to believe, at the close of that service, that he has not altogether been applauded and praised in a spirit of formality, but because that feeling was the honest expression of the sentiment of the hearts which lie behind it. So I thank you to-day, as I have thanked you every day during the session, in my heart, for the uniform spirit of courtesy which you have shown to me, for your diligence in attending to the business of the State and for

that kind upbearing of strong hands which I have felt under me in every position in which I have been placed. I have found that the members of the House of Representatives look upon the Speaker not as a mere man in that position, but in one sense their help to him ; they owe not only to him but to themselves to maintain and sustain him in the place to which by their favor he is assigned. If I have been courteous to the members, if I have endeavored to treat them with impartial hands so far as political differences are concerned, I wish to say I deserve no thanks for that, because the man who failed to measure out to others as they measured out to him would be undeserving not only of the good feelings of his associates but also of the feeling of satisfaction that he has been true to himself.

I thank you for this expression of your regard ; I need not tell you that it will be treasured by me as long as life lasts as one of the dearest mementos of one of the pleasantest experiences of my life, and I am glad to say that in the gifts which have been given to me by the three legislatures over which I have presided, each one is something permanent. They will not be tarnished or decayed by the passage of the years ; each one is something which I may hand down to my children and they to their children as long as there shall be left on the face of the globe a man or woman in whose veins my blood runs, and who may take some pride in the fact that a member of their family had the honor which you have intrusted to me.

In regard to this session, my friends, there is little which I need to say. It has not been an eventful session in the public mind. It is true that when we came here there was a feeling that because of recent political events there might be some disturbances beneath the dome of the capitol, but you know and I know that however much we may have debated political questions and discussed them and differed upon them, there has never been in this House or elsewhere in this State House any manifestation which could bring the slightest ill-will, the slightest reflection upon the integrity and manliness of the men who are associated here. Nothing whatever has happened of which you have cause to be ashamed or for which the State has cause to blush ; and while we have seen in other States of the Union, after heated political contests, scenes which any honest American citizen might wish undone,

let it be remembered to the honor of Massachusetts that however much we may differ on political principles, however much we may differ on election day, when the result has been known and decided we have met together as citizens of the Commonwealth, not as Republicans and not as Democrats, but as citizens of this old Commonwealth, determined that we would take up the honor of the State and carry it during the time it had been intrusted to our hands, and leave it as unblemished to those who should follow us as it was when we received it from our predecessors.

The hand of death has not been laid upon this House. Not one of the two hundred and forty has been called to his future home. It is true that one of our members, a man ripe in years, full of the confidence of his fellow-citizens, beloved by all of us, and especially by those of us who last year served through a long and trying session with him, — it is true that he rests on a bed of illness and we are told that his days of activity are nearly over; but I think we can say with pride that if he lives on this bright summer afternoon, and is aware that this House is about concluding its session, there is nothing that has taken place here during this session or as a part of our action which causes him to blush, and there is nothing upon this last day of life, it may be, for which he has greater reason to feel satisfaction and pride than that he is to-day remembered and spoken of on the floor of this House as a man whom we love to honor and for whom we have a deep and lasting affection. Be he alive or be he dead, that seat bears witness to us that he has been with us, and every man among us, be he intimate friend or casual acquaintance, recognizes the fact that his life has been of service to the State and to his fellow-citizens.

I could not let this time pass without saying for you, although others will voice more eloquently the sentiment, that we have owed not a little of the success of this session to our Clerk, who has been here year in and year out, whose presence here is a guarantee that the members of the Legislature of Massachusetts, regardless of any political bias, regard him as a faithful public servant. I say that we all owe to him a great measure of respect and esteem, but I may say as your presiding officer that no man on this floor can know what it is to depend upon his daily and loyal friendship and support as

does the one whom you have chosen to preside over your deliberations. I wish to say now, as I said before, and as I say always, and as I hope that every man who may be chosen Speaker will be pleased to say, that we have at least one gem here, and may that gem continue to shed its brilliancy over this House as long as the Clerk desires to keep the position which he honors. Similar words I may say of the other officers of the House.

We have not accomplished much in one sense in legislation. We have done no startling and no radical acts, but there is no man on this floor who has watched the drift of debate this winter and spring, who has noticed the drift of legislation, but has observed that we have set on foot great problems of popular government which must come to a head before long, and which must bear fruit for the benefit of the State. Although we have shown a wise conservatism, although we have not rushed headlong into the consideration of questions, we have probed every artery and every pore of the body politic. If in matters which demand the greatest consideration and discretion we have not fully undertaken to settle them, we have shown there a wisdom which I think the people of the State will approve. We have shown that we understand the importance of these things, that we understand their magnitude, and that having set on foot inquiries for a better understanding of them in the future we leave them to the people to hereafter settle as it shall seem to them to be best. Of the things we have put on the statute books, the things we neglected to put there, we have certainly this to say for ourselves, that not one single thing we have done, not one single thing we have left undone, has been done or left undone through any craven fear or through any spirit which was not loyal to the State. We may, I think, my friends, leave some problems for the future. We know that they will be settled rightly. We know that the people of this State have the intelligence, and have the sobriety, and have the faithfulness to pass upon them as they deserve. We can say to ourselves, honestly, that we have brought no discredit on the Commonwealth, we have brought no discredit on ourselves; we have here men who can be depended upon to make a permanent impression on the institutions of the State of Massachusetts.

We go back now to put into the hands of the people,

so far as we can, the results of what we have learned and what we have studied. As we give up our duties we will have an ever-recurring reverence for republican institutions, which, despite the carpings of pessimistic men, declares, however great and noble were the men who founded the State, however self-sacrificing were the men who defended it, the men of this day are not lacking in a spirit of self-sacrifice for the common interest. Our Commonwealth stands to-day as she always has stood, and, thank God, always will stand, perfectly grounded, securely and well established, so that every citizen, no matter whether born on our soil or coming from a foreign country, stands with a knowledge that running through all our veins is found a loyalty and a love for the institutions of this Commonwealth which is respected all over this country. No matter what questions may arise, they suffice under every condition to keep Massachusetts where we all pledged ourselves on the first day of this session she should be kept, fast to the institutions which were planted a century ago. For my own part and for you, I pledge that the results of the past five months have only deepened and strengthened the purpose in our hearts; that with whatever strength we have we will devote ourselves to the perpetuating and beautifying of the grand old mother Commonwealth, of which we are all proud and upon whose altar every morning and night so long as we live we will lay the evidence of our undying loyalty and devotion.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford offered the following resolution:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Clerk.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are hereby tendered to Edward A. McLaughlin for his efficient and faithful service as Clerk, and his courteous and impartial treatment of members during the present session of the Legislature.

After remarks by Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, McLoughlin of Milford, Bennett of Everett, Sohler of Beverly, Charles of Boston and Tuttle of Arlington, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Bliss of Boston, was unanimously adopted:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Assistant Clerk.

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House of Representatives are hereby given to James W. Kimball,

Assistant Clerk, for his uniform courtesy and kindness to the members during the present session of the Legislature.

Mr. Hemenway offered the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the House of Representatives hereby expresses and extends to Capt. John G. B. Adams, Sergeant-at-Arms, and his assistants, its thanks and high appreciation for the faithful, efficient and impartial manner in which they have performed the duties of their respective positions during the present session.

Resolution of
thanks to the
Sergeant-at-
Arms and assist-
ants.

After remarks by Messrs. Hemenway of Canton, Carter of Wakefield and Turner of Malden, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Emery of Taunton offered the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due to the faithful Chaplain, who, not only in the present, but in many past years, has led in the opening religious services of its daily sessions ; his kind and friendly spirit has endeared him to us all, and we ask in behalf of himself and family all possible good in all coming time.

Resolution of
thanks to the
Chaplain.

After remarks by Mr. Emery of Taunton, the resolve was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Prorogation.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Prorogation.

Messrs. Coveney of Suffolk, Gilman of Middlesex and Reade of Suffolk, having been appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Emery of Taunton, Quincy of Quincy, Sohler of Beverly, Hemenway of Canton, Pratt of Lowell, Capen of Stoughton, Ensign of Watertown and Gardner of Nantucket were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Emery, from the committee, afterwards reported that he had waited upon His Excellency the Governor and informed him of the action of the two branches ; that

His Excellency congratulated the members on the completion of their labor and said that he would communicate further with the two Houses through the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At twenty-six minutes before eight o'clock P.M. the Secretary of the Commonwealth came in, and stated that His Excellency had signed during the session 423 Acts and 118 Resolves; that he had withheld his signature from eight bills, which have become laws by virtue of the constitutional provisions for such cases; and that he had returned with his objections thereto a Bill to authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties, and a Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane.

The Secretary further said that he had been directed by the Governor, with the consent of the Council, and in compliance with the request of the two branches, to prorogue the General Court to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next, and the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest :

EDWARD A. McLAUGHLIN,
Clerk.

APPENDIX.



[No. 1.]

ANNUAL REGISTER

OF THE

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS

OF THE

GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

1891.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
William E. Russell, <i>Governor</i> , . . .	Cambridge, .	Jan. 6, 1857,	Cambridge, .	Lawyer, . . .	1891
William H. Haile, <i>Lieutenant Governor</i> , .	Springfield, .	Sept. 23, 1833,	Chesterf'd,N.H.,	Manufacturer, . .	1890
Isaac N. Keith, <i>Councillor</i> , District No. 1, .	Bourne, . .	Nov. 14, 1838,	Sandwich, .	Manufacturer, . .	1889
Arthur W. Tufts, " " 2, .	Boston, . .	Feb. 20, 1828,	Charlestown, .	Banker, . . .	1889
Ephraim Stearns, " " 3, .	Waltham, .	March 8, 1839,	Waltham, .	Merchant, . . .	1891
Edward J. Flynn, " " 4, .	Boston, . .	June 16, 1859,	Boston, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1889
Moses How, " " 5, .	Methuen, . .	June 19, 1819,	Haverhill, .	Retired Manufacturer,	1891
Byron Truell, " " 6, .	Lawrence, .	Nov. 23, 1884,	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Merchant, . . .	1890
William Abbott, " " 7, .	Douglas, . .	Nov. 25, 1834,	Temple, Me., .	Merchant, . . .	1890
Ashley B. Wright, " " 8, .	North Adams, .	May 25, 1841,	Ilwaco, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1890

Jeremiah W. Coveney, <i>Private Secretary to the Governor</i> ,	Cambridge,	Dec. 24, 1841,	Cambridge,	Real Estate,	1891
Edward F. Hamlin, <i>Executive Clerk</i> ,	Newton,	June 6, 1846,	Plainfield,	-	1881
<i>Heads of Departments.</i>					
William M. Olin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Boston,	Sept. 18, 1845,	Warrenton, Ga.,	Journalist,	1891
George A. Marden, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Lowell,	Aug. 9, 1839,	Mt. Vernon, N.H.,	Journalist,	1839
William D. T. Trefry, <i>Auditor</i> ,	Marblehead,	May 10, 1852,	Marblehead,	Lawyer,	1891
Albert E. Pillsbury, <i>Attorney-General</i> ,	Boston,	Aug. 19, 1849,	Millford, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1891
Samuel Dalton, <i>Adjutant-General</i> ,	Salem,	June 25, 1840,	Salem,	Merchant,	1883

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

HENRY H. SPRAGUE, PRESIDENT.

DISTRICTS.	SENATORS.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	YEARS IN LEGISLATURE.	
						House.	Senate.
First Suffolk, .	Arthur B. Champlin, .	Chelsea, .	Feb. 7, 1858,	Chelsea, .	Publisher, .	1887, '88.	1891.
Second " .	John Reade, .	Boston, .	Dec. 1, 1826,	City of Kilkenny, Ireland.	Auctioneer and real estate.	1879, '80, '81.	1891.
Third " .	John W. Coveney, .	Cambridge, .	April 10, 1845,	Cambridge, .	Undertaker, .	1888, '89, '90.	1891.
Fourth " .	James Donovan, .	Boston, .	May 28, 1869,	Boston, .	Insurance, .	'84, '6, '7, '8.	1899, '90, '91.
Fifth " .	Henry H. Sprague, .	Boston, .	Aug. 1, 1841,	Athol, .	Lawyer, .	1881, '82, '83.	'88, '9, '90, '91.
Sixth " .	William S. McNary, .	Boston, .	Mar. 28, 1863,	North Abington, .	Journalist, .	1889, '90.	1891.
Seventh " .	Frederick S. Rickett, .	Boston, .	Aug. 28, 1840,	Jacksonville, N.B.,	Hotel keeper, .	None.	1883, '91.
Eighth " .	Joseph Bennett, .	Boston, .	May 26, 1840,	Bridgeton, Me.,	Lawyer, .	1879.	1881, '82, '91.
Ninth " .	William H. West, .	Boston, .	Jan. 27, 1850,	Milton, .	Merchant, .	None.	1891.
First Essex, .	Arthur B. Breed, .	Lynn, .	June 30, 1857,	Lynn, .	Grocer, .	1887, '88.	1891.
Second " .	William Stoughton, .	Beverly, .	Feb. 22, 1848,	Manchester, Eng.,	Fish dealer, .	None.	1891.
Third " .	Asaon Low, .	Essex, .	Aug. 11, 1833,	Essex, .	Farmer, .	1874.	1890, '91.
Fourth " .	Benjamin F. Brickett, .	Haverhill, .	April 10, 1846,	Haverhill, .	Lawyer, .	None.	1891.
Fifth " .	B. Frank Southwick, .	Peabody, .	July 6, 1856,	Lynnhoro', N.H.,	Fruit and produce dealer, .	1888.	1891.
Sixth " .	Joseph M. Bradley, .	Andover, .	Aug. 18, 1822,	Blackburn, Eng.,	Merchant tailor, .	None.	1890, '91.

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First Middlesex,	Francis H. Raymond,	Somerville,	Feb. 19, 1836,	Charlestown,	Treasurer,	1838, '39, '90.	1891.
Second "	Gorham D. Gilman,	Newton,	May 29, 1822,	Hallowell, Me.,	Wholesale druggist,	1839, '90.	1891.
Third "	Horace G. Kemp,	Cambridge,	Aug. 19, 1849,	Marlborough,	Soap manufacturer,	1837, '89.	1891.
Fourth "	James W. McDonald,	Marlborough,	May 16, 1857,	Cambridge,	Lawyer,	None.	1891.
Fifth "	Edwin F. Wyer,	Woburn,	Sept. 28, 1832,		Harness and saddle dealer,	None.	1891.
Sixth "	B. Marvin Fernald,	Melrose,	Feb. 14, 1847,	Great Falls, N.H.,	Lawyer,	1881, '82.	1891.
Seventh "	John E. Drury,	Lowell,	May 11, 1852,	Boston,	Plumber,	None.	1891.
First Worcester,	John R. Thayer,	Worcester,	Mar. 8, 1845,	Douglas,	Lawyer,	1880, '82.	1891.
Second "	George F. Cooke,	Milford,	Oct. 28, 1849,	Oxford,	Dentist,	1890.	1891.
Third "	Charles Haggerty,	Southbridge,	Dec. 6, 1854,	Newburg, N.Y.,	Lawyer,	1837, '88.	1890, '91.
Fourth "	Alfred S. Pinkerton,	Worcester,	Mar. 19, 1856,	Manchester, Pa.,	Lawyer,	1837, '88, '89.	1890, '91.
Worcester and Hampshire,	Sidney P. Smith,	Athol,	July 13, 1850,	Princeton, Ill.,	Lawyer,	1837, '88.	1891.
First Hampden,	Frank E. Carpenter,	Springfield,	Aug. 29, 1851,	Monson,	Lawyer,	1884.	1891.
Second "	William Provin,	Westfield,	Feb. 14, 1842,	Sullivan, Pa.,	Whip manufacturer,	1886, '87, '88.	1891.
Franklin,	Wildor P. Clark,	Winchendon,	Oct. 12, 1832,	Chesterfield, N.H.,	Manufacturer and merchant.	1877, '79, '83.	1891.
Berkshire,	H. Torrey Cady,	North Adams,	Jan. 17, 1844,	North Adams,	Boot and shoe manufacturer.	1890.	1891.
Berkshire and Hampshire,	Henry A. Kimball,	Northampton,	May 3, 1842,	Windham, Conn.,	Coal merchant,	1838, '89, '90.	1891.
First Norfolk,	William N. Eaton,	Quincy,	Dec. 29, 1845,	Quincy,	Ice dealer,	1833, '84.	1891.
Second "	George M. Towle,	Brookline,	Aug. 27, 1841,	Washington, D.C.,	Author, journalist and lecturer.	None.	1890, '91.
First Plymouth,	Thomas Alden,	(No) Duxbury,	Aug. 17, 1827,	Scituate,	Farmer,	1839, '90.	1891.
Second "	Isaac N. Nutter,	E. Bridgewater,	June 23, 1836,	E. Bridgewater,	Treasurer of savings bank.	1876, '76.	1891.
First Bristol,	Cyrus Savage,	Taunton,	Sept. 2, 1832,	Boston,	Britannia worker,	'74, '5, '86, '7.	1890, '91.
Second "	Robert Howard,	Fall River,	Feb. 8, 1845,	England,	Cotton spinner etc.,	1831.	'86, '7, '8, '9, '90, '1
Third "	Morgan Rotch,	New Bedford,	April 8, 1848,	New Bedford,	Banker and broker,	None.	1891.
Cape,	John Simpkins,	Yarmouth,	June 27, 1862,	New Bedford,	Farmer,	None.	1891.

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st Year in Office.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Concord,	Aug. 26, 1858,	Chelsea,	1889
William H. Sanger, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	Mar. 12, 1862,	Louisville, Ky.,	1889
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	1886
Rev. Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Sherborn,	Jan. 30, 1813,	Sherborn,	1880*

* Member of the Senate, 1869, 1870.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

HON. WILLIAM E. BARRETT, MELROSE, SPEAKER.

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Nathan Edson, . .	Barnstable, . .	Sept. 16, 1817, . .	Yarmouth, . .	Farmer, . .	1860, '91
2, . . .	George E. Clarke, . .	Falmouth, . .	Oct. 30, 1822, . .	Needham, . .	Teacher, . .	1860, '91
3, . . .	John Kenrick, Jr., . .	Orleans, . .	Oct. 25, 1837, . .	Orleans, . .	Merchant, . .	1861
	Robert B. Jenkins, . .	Wellfleet, . .	Sept. 16, 1837, . .	Wellfleet, . .	Fish Dealer, . .	1861
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Nathan B. Flood, . .	North Adams, . .	Nov. 16, 1854, . .	Troy, N. Y., . .	Produce Dealer, . .	1881
2, . . .	Stephen A. Hickox, . .	Williamstown, . .	May 20, 1839, . .	South Williamstown, . .	Farmer, . .	1891
3, . . .	Andrew J. Bucklin, . .	Adams, . .	Feb. 23, 1829, . .	Cheshire, . .	Farmer, . .	1860, '91
4, . . .	Ebenezer Shaw, . .	Windsor, . .	Aug. 24, 1825, . .	Plainfield, . .	Farmer, . .	1891
5, . . .	Franklin F. Read, . .	Pittsfield, . .	June 14, 1827, . .	Windsor, . .	Real Estate, . .	1891
6, . . .	Peter J. McDonald, . .	Pittsfield, . .	May 3, 1860, . .	New York City, . .	Clock Maker, . .	1889, '90, '91
7, . . .	Charles E. Hinckley, . .	Lee, . .	Nov. 4, 1896, . .	Stockbridge, . .	Retired, . .	1881
	John P. Pomeroy, . .	G. Barrington, . .	Aug. 26, 1836, . .	Clifton Pk., N. Y., . .	Merchant, . .	1881
	Henry W. Langdon, . .	Monterey, . .	Dec. 7, 1847, . .	Monterey, . .	Merchant, . .	1881

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DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
BRISTOL COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Everett S. Horton,	Attleborough,	June 15, 1836,	Attleborough,	Manufacturer,	1891
2,	Edwin Whitney,	N. Attleboro,	Nov. 1, 1836,	Thompson, Ct.,	Retired,	1891
3,	Elvin L. Smith,	Mansfield,	Jan. 30, 1851,	Boston,	Jeweller,	1891
4,	S. Hopkins Emery,	Taunton,	Aug. 22, 1815,	Boxford,	Clergyman,	1890, '91
5,	Edward Mott,	Taunton,	June 9, 1830,	England,	Engineer,	1890, '91
6,	J. Lewis Austin,	Taunton,	Mar. 19, 1851,	Taunton,	Broker,	1891
7,	James A. Lewis,	Fairhaven,	May 20, 1834,	Plymouth,	Shipwright,	1890, '91
8,	Haile R. Luther,	New Bedford,	Feb. 7, 1838,	New Bedford,	Grocer,	1890, '91
9,	Charles F. Shaw,	New Bedford,	Nov. 28, 1840,	New Bedford,	Street Railway,	1891
10,	George F. Tucker,	New Bedford,	Jan. 19, 1852,	New Bedford,	Lawyer,	1890, '91
11,	William M. Butler,	New Bedford,	Jan. 29, 1861,	New Bedford,	Lawyer,	1891
12,	Albert C. Kirby,	Westport,	Mar. 17, 1841,	Westport,	Stable Keeper,	1890, '91
13,	Patrick B. Luby,	Fall River,	Sept., 1859,	Ireland,	Barber,	1891
14,	Edward J. Heffernan,	Fall River,	Nov. 4, 1858,	New Bedford,	Weaver,	1891
15,	John T. Hurley,	Fall River,	Oct. 26, 1856,	Ireland,	Hair Dresser,	1891
16,	Walter J. D. Bullock,	Fall River,	July 11, 1860,	Fall River,	Railroad Agent,	1890, '91
17,	Squire S. Davis,	Fall River,	Nov. 8, 1852,	Fall River,	Roll Cover,	1891
18,	Daniel R. Child,	Swansey,	June 23, 1827,	E. Smithfield, Pa.,	Jeweller,	1891
DUKES COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Tisbury,	Aug. 16, 1848,	Tisbury,	Merchant,	1891
ESSEX COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Dudley J. Marston,	Amesbury,	July 21, 1849,	Chester, N. H.,	Real Estate,	1891
2,	Horace G. Leslie,	Amesbury,	April 13, 1891,	Haverhill, N. H.,	Physician,	1890, '91

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2,	Henry H. Johnson,	Haverhill,	Mar. 24, 1840,	Haverhill,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1880, '90, '91
	J. Otis Wardwell,	Haverhill,	Mar. 14, 1857,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	{ 1887, '8, '9, 1890, '91
3,	James O. Parker,	Methuen,	Nov. 22, 1827,	Pembroke, N. H.,	Fire Insurance,	1874, '91
	John A. Gale,	Haverhill,	Nov. 24, 1848,	Newton, N. H.,	Bank President,	1891
4,	John O'Brien,	Lawrence,	Oct. 1, 1855,	Lowell,	Manufacturer,	1891
	William Cannon,	Lawrence,	Nov. 15, 1829,	Athlone, Ire.,	Cotton Wool Mfr.,	1891
5,	Richard A. Carter,	Lawrence,	Feb. 16, 1862,	Ireland,	Hair Dresser,	1890, '91
6,	Frank McAnally,	Lawrence,	Nov. 29, 1855,	Lawrence,	Operative,	1891
7,	Edward W. Greene,	N. Andover,	Sept. 4, 1848,	Belchertown,	Farmer,	1891
	Samuel N. Curtis,	Georgetown,	June 26, 1824,	Concord, N. H.,	Farmer,	1891
8,	Arthur C. Richardson,	Newburyport,	Oct. 31, 1837,	Reading,	Railroad Agent,	1890, '91
	Nathan N. Withington,	Newburyport,	Mar. 9, 1828,	Newbury,	Journalist,	1891
9,	George K. Knowlton,	Hamilton,	July 8, 1840,	Hamilton,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1891
	Fitz J. Babson,	Gloucester,	Feb. 14, 1828,	Gloucester,	Real Estate Agent,	1898, '90, '91
10,	Howard G. Lane,	Gloucester,	Dec. 15, 1850,	Rockport,	Jeweller,	1890, '91
	Henry T. Bingham,	Manchester,	Mar. 9, 1839,	Manchester,	Cabinet Maker,	1891
11,	Isaac P. Fears,	Rockport,	Nov. 12, 1838,	Rockport,	Master Builder,	1891
12,	William D. Sobier,	Beverly,	Oct. 22, 1858,	Boston,	Lawyer,	'88, '9, '90, '91
13,	Benjamin P. Pickering,	Salem,	Feb. 22, 1844,	Salem,	Grocer,	1890, '91
14,	William E. Meade,	Salem,	Aug. 2, 1839,	Salem,	Locomotive Engineer,	1890, '91
15,	William H. Stearns,	Salem,	April 11, 1850,	Salem,	Lawyer,	1890, '91
16,	Henry C. Sparhawk,	Marblehead,	Feb. 19, 1865,	Marblehead,	Accountant,	1891
17,	John J. Salter,	Lynn,	Jan. 11, 1856,	Eastport, Me.,	Salesman,	1890, '91
	Edwin A. Tibbetts,	Lynn,	April 24, 1840,	Sanford, Me.,	Shoe Dealer,	1890, '91
18,	Charles H. Baker,	Lynn,	Feb. 2, 1847,	Solon, Me.,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1883, '90, '91
	William D. Hodges,	Nahant,	Mar. 9, 1854,	Boston,	Physician,	1891
	John M. Danforth,	Lynnfield,	Jan. 1, 1840,	Lynnfield,	Farmer,	1891
19,	Charles M. Bachelier,	Lynn,	June 29, 1863,	Lynn,	Leather Dealer,	1891

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Essex Co. — Con.						
No. 20, . . .	Lemuel M. Brock,	Lynn, . .	Nov. 6, 1837,	Lynn, . .	Patent Medicine, .	1861
21, . . .	Alonzo Penney, .	Lynn, . .	Sept. 23, 1836,	Lynn, . .	Shoe Maker, . .	1877, '90, '91
22, . . .	Francis H. Appleton,	Peabody, .	June 17, 1847,	Boston, . .	—	1861
	Samuel L. Sawyer,	Danvers, .	June 20, 1845,	Boxford, . .	Salesman, . .	1861
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Myron L. Corbett,	Barnardston, .	Oct. 28, 1844,	Gulford, Vt., .	Farmer, . .	1861
2, . . .	Edward A. Goddard,	Orange, . .	June 17, 1845,	Orange, . .	Lumber Dealer, . .	1860, '91
3, . . .	Samuel E. Ripley,	Montague, .	June 17, 1845,	Shutesbury, . .	Lumber Dealer, . .	1861
4, . . .	James W. Clapp,	Deerfield, .	July 30, 1842,	Deerfield, . .	Farmer, . .	1861
5, . . .	Charles B. Newell,	Rowe, . .	Oct. 3, 1839,	Whitingham, Vt.,	Farmer, . .	1861
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	James W. Knox, . .	Blandford, .	June 12, 1836,	Blandford, . .	Farmer, . .	1861
2, . . .	James A. Lakin, . .	Westfield, .	1841,	Boston, . .	Insurance, . .	1861
3, . . .	Ethan Brooks, . .	W. Springfield, .	Jan. 10, 1832,	West Springfield, .	Farmer, . .	1861
4, . . .	James Ramage, . .	Holyoke, . .	July, 1836,	Scotland, . .	Paper Maker, . .	1861
5, . . .	William P. Buckley,	Holyoke, . .	Aug., 1859,	Cork, Ireland, .	Clerk, . .	1861
6, . . .	Eugene J. O'Neill,	Chicopee, . .	Feb. 28, 1856,	Chicopee, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1861
7, . . .	Frederick H. Gillett,	Springfield, .	Oct. 16, 1851,	Westfield, . .	Lawyer, . .	1861
8, . . .	Hiram B. Lano, . .	Springfield, .	Aug. 17, 1823,	Newport, Vt., .	Retired, . .	1861
9, . . .	John McFethries, . .	Springfield, .	1830,	Aldrie, Scotland, .	Mechanical Engineer, .	1860, '91
10, . . .	Herman Buchholz, .	Springfield, .	Nov. 23, 1839,	Berlin, Prussia, .	Photographer, . .	1860, '91
	Herbert A. McFarland,	Springfield, .	Sept. 26, 1863,	Springfield, . .	Paper Manufacturer, .	1861
	H. E. W. Clark, . .	Wales, . .	April 14, 1840,	Stambridge, . .	Banker, . .	1861
		Palmer, . .	April 15, 1835,	New Salem, . .	Provision Dealer, .	1861

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.					
No. 1,	{ Arthur F. Nutting,	Northampton,	Feb. 4, 1861,	Northampton,	Insurance Agent,
2,	{ Barney T. Wetherell,	Southampton,	1822,	Middleborough,	Fanner,
3,	{ Edwin A. Atkins,	Plainfield,	Oct. 22, 1832,	Plainfield,	Fanner,
4,	{ Myron H. Judd,	South Hadley,	Oct. 19, 1848,	South Hadley,	Fanner,
5,	{ Charles S. Smith,	Amherst,	Dec. 16, 1828,	Amherst,	Fanner,
	{ Lysander Thurston,	Enfield,	May 25, 1837,	Pelham,	Fanner,
					1890, '91
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.					
No. 1,	{ Isaac McLean,	Cambridge,	Mar. 3, 1841,	-	Carpenter and Builder,
2,	{ Archibald M. Howe,	Cambridge,	May 20, 1848,	Northampton,	Lawyer,
3,	{ Elmer H. Bright,	Cambridge,	June 26, 1860,	Cambridge,	Ice Dealer,
4,	{ Andrew J. Rady,	Cambridge,	May 1, 1858,	Ireland,	Manufacturer,
5,	{ Stephen Anderson,	Cambridge,	Dec. 24, 1840,	St. Stephen, N.B.,	Brass Founder,
6,	{ Malcolm E. Rideout,	Cambridge,	June 9, 1851,	Boston,	Manufacturer,
7,	{ Charles W. Henderson,	Cambridge,	June 3, 1842,	Tamworth, N. H.,	Dealer in Cotton Waste,
8,	{ George W. Perkins,	Somerville,	July 1, 1842,	Somerville,	Grocer,
9,	{ Joseph J. Giles,	Somerville,	Mar. 24, 1842,	Needham,	Real Estate Agent,
10,	{ Frederick M. Kilmer,	Medford,	Feb. 8, 1852,	Charlestown,	Manufacturer,
11,	{ William B. Lawrence,	Malden,	Nov. 16, 1856,	Boston,	Lawyer,
12,	{ Henry E. Turner,	Malden,	May 4, 1842,	Malden,	Treas Shoe Nailor Co.,
13,	{ Harry H. Barrett,	Malden,	Mar. 10, 1851,	Cambridge,	Editor,
14,	{ Frank P. Bennett,	Malden,	May 2, 1858,	Melrose,	Editor,
15,	{ William E. Barrett,	Melrose,	Dec. 29, 1858,	Corinth, Vt.,	Machinist,
16,	{ Myron J. Ferren,	Stoneham,	Aug. 16, 1836,	Wakefield,	Retired,
17,	{ James H. Carter,	Woburn,	Nov. 16, 1892,	Dublin, Ireland,	Currier,
18,	{ Thomas D. Hevey,	Reading,	Aug. 14, 1846,	Andover,	Town Clerk,
19,	{ James Reid,	Arlington,	Mar. 5, 1824,	Littleton,	Lawyer,
20,	{ William H. H. Tuttle,		Aug. 17, 1845,		
					1890, '91

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MIDDLESEX Co.—Con.						
No. 16, . . .	Charles S. Ensign, . . .	Watertown, . . .	July 26, 1842, . . .	Hartford, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1891
17, . . .	Dwight Chester, . . .	Newton, . . .	Mar. 2, 1835, . . .	Maryland, N. Y., . . .	Life Insurance, . . .	1891
. . .	S. E. Howard, . . .	Newton, . . .	May 15, 1840, . . .	Jamaica, Vt., . . .	Cattle Ranching, . . .	1891
18, . . .	Henry C. Hall, . . .	Waltham, . . .	Jan. 18, 1844, . . .	Waltham, . . .	Apothecary, . . .	1891
. . .	Charles Moore, . . .	Waltham, . . .	June 18, 1831, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Watch Dial Maker, . . .	1890, '91
19, . . .	Richard F. Barrett, . . .	Concord, . . .	Aug. 4, 1848, . . .	Concord, . . .	Fire Insurance, . . .	1891
20, . . .	Charles W. Flint, . . .	Chelmsford, . . .	May 3, 1827, . . .	Concord, . . .	Retired, . . .	1891
21, . . .	Patrick J. Savage, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Feb. 26, 1863, . . .	Boston, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1891
22, . . .	Fred. N. Wier, . . .	Lowell, . . .	July 4, 1861, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1891
23, . . .	Geo. B. McKenna, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Aug. 31, 1857, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Fancy Wire Worker, . . .	1891
. . .	Robert G. Bartlett, . . .	Lowell, . . .	April 8, 1834, . . .	Hopkinton, N. H., . . .	Real Estate Dealer, . . .	1891
24, . . .	Clarence G. Coburn, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Jan. 15, 1850, . . .	Dracut, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1891
. . .	Amasa Pratt, . . .	Lowell, . . .	July 28, 1842, . . .	Waterville, Me., . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1891
25, . . .	Charles H. Hobson, . . .	Natick, . . .	June 20, 1857, . . .	Lowell, . . .	H. R. Barker Mfg Co., . . .	1891
26, . . .	Frank B. Tilton, . . .	Hopkinton, . . .	Mar. 15, 1840, . . .	Sandown, N. H., . . .	Box Manufacturer, . . .	1890, '91
27, . . .	Edwin D. Thompson, . . .	Hopkinton, . . .	Aug. 26, 1848, . . .	Hopkinton, . . .	Boot Manufacturer, . . .	1891
28, . . .	James L. Brophy, . . .	Frammingham, . . .	Nov. 14, 1852, . . .	Saxonsville, . . .	Carpenter, . . .	1890, '91
. . .	Charles H. Boody, . . .	Wayland, . . .	Dec. 27, 1838, . . .	New Durham, N. H., . . .	Physician, . . .	1890, '91
29, . . .	Francis C. Curtis, . . .	Marlborough, . . .	Mar. 13, 1836, . . .	Dudley, . . .	Provision Dealer, . . .	1884, '86, 1888, '90, '1
30, . . .	John J. O'Brien, . . .	Marlborough, . . .	June 11, 1862, . . .	Pepperell, . . .	Shoe Cutter, . . .	1891
31, . . .	Aaron C. Handley, . . .	Acton, . . .	Oct. 7, 1823, . . .	Acton, . . .	Produce Dealer, . . .	'92, '94, '90, '1
32, . . .	Parker J. Kemp, . . .	Pepperell, . . .	June 2, 1847, . . .	Dunstable, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1891
. . .	Charles F. Worcester, . . .	Townsend, . . .	Feb. 25, 1859, . . .	Townsend, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1890, '91
NANTUCKET COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Arthur H. Gardner, . . .	Nantucket, . . .	Aug. 4, 1851, . . .	San Francisco, Cal., . . .	Newspaper Publisher, . . .	1891

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NORFOLK COUNTY.									
No.	1,	James A. Hartshorn,	Norwood,	Feb. 24, 1854,	Walpole,	Provision Dealer,	1891		
2,	George N. Carpenter,	Brookline,	Jan. 26, 1840,	Jan. 26, 1840,	Northfield, Vt.,	Life Insurance,	'57, '8, '9, '90, '1		
3,	Wilbur H. Powers,	Hyde Park,	Jan. 22, 1849,	Jan. 22, 1849,	Croydon, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1890, '91		
4,	Augustus Hemenway,	Canton,	Oct. 15, 1858,	Oct. 15, 1858,	Boston,	Farmer,	1890, '91		
5,	Josiah Quincy,	Quincy,	Nov. 2, 1861,	Nov. 2, 1861,	West Quincy,	Lawyer,	'57, '58, '90, '91		
6,	James F. Burke,	Weymouth,	June 20, 1820,	June 20, 1820,	East Weymouth,	Granite Business,	1891		
7,	Zechariah L. Bicknell,	Braintree,	Oct. 4, 1857,	Oct. 4, 1857,	—	Dry Goods,	1892, '91		
8,	B. Herbert Woodsum,	Stoughton,	May 6, 1824,	May 6, 1824,	Stoughton,	Dairy Farmer,	1891		
9,	Robert P. Capen,	Stoughton,	Feb. 13, 1851,	Feb. 13, 1851,	Stoughton,	Insurance Agent,	1890, '91		
10,	Henry W. Britton,	Foxborough,	Nov. 23, 1822,	Nov. 23, 1822,	Foxborough,	Real Estate Agent,	1891		
11,	Erastus P. Carpenter,	Norfolk,	Jan. 17, 1847,	Jan. 17, 1847,	Boston,	Farmer,	1891		
12,	Nathan H. Fales,	Medfield,	Nov. 3, 1843,	Nov. 3, 1843,	Medfield,	Carpenter,	1891		
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.									
No.	1,	Elkanah Finney,	Plymouth,	Oct. 31, 1849,	Plymouth,	Moulder,	1897, '98, '91		
2,	William J. Wright,	Duxbury,	Nov., 1846,	Nov., 1846,	Brooklyn, N. Y.,	Retired,	1891		
3,	John E. O. Prouty,	Scituate,	Mar. 8, 1840,	Mar. 8, 1840,	Scituate,	Farmer,	1891		
4,	Thomas Weston,	Hingham,	Sept. 23, 1826,	Sept. 23, 1826,	Middleborough,	Iron Founder,	1891		
5,	Eben C. Waterman,	Hanover,	Mar. 1, 1840,	Mar. 1, 1840,	Scituate,	Carpenter,	1891		
6,	Benjamin F. Peterson,	Whitman,	Oct. 11, 1836,	Oct. 11, 1836,	South Abington,	Farmer,	1890, '91		
7,	Benjamin Gammons,	Rochester,	Feb. 12, 1832,	Feb. 12, 1832,	Rochester,	Shoemaker,	1891		
8,	Charles W. Turner,	Middleboro',	June 28, 1828,	June 28, 1828,	Portsmouth, R. I.,	Postmaster,	1891		
9,	Amos Hunting,	E. Bridgewater,	April 12, 1835,	April 12, 1835,	Shutesbury,	Grocer,	1891		
10,	Edward E. Herrod,	Brockton,	Nov. 4, 1857,	Nov. 4, 1857,	Covington, Ky.,	Shoe Trade,	1890, '91		
11,	Hiram A. Monk,	Brockton,	July 16, 1829,	July 16, 1829,	Stoughton,	Shoe Heel Manufact'r,	1890, '91		
12,	Harrison O. Thomas,	Brockton,	June 28, 1840,	June 28, 1840,	Wareham,	Merchant,	1890, '91		

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No. 16, . . .	Charles S. Ensign, . . .	Watertown, . . .	July 26, 1842, . . .	Hartford, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1881
17, . . .	Dwight Chester, . . .	Newton, . . .	Mar. 2, 1885, . . .	Yarmouth, N. Y., . . .	Life Insurance, . . .	1881
. . .	S. E. Howard, . . .	Newton, . . .	May 15, 1840, . . .	Jamaica, Vt., . . .	Cattle Ranching, . . .	1881
18, . . .	Henry C. Hall, . . .	Waltham, . . .	Jan. 18, 1844, . . .	Waltham, . . .	Apothecary, . . .	1881
. . .	Charles Moore, . . .	Waltham, . . .	June 18, 1831, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Watch Dial Maker, . . .	1880, '91
19, . . .	Richard F. Barrett, . . .	Concord, . . .	Aug. 4, 1848, . . .	Concord, . . .	Fire Insurance, . . .	1881
20, . . .	Charles W. Flint, . . .	Chelmsford, . . .	May 8, 1827, . . .	Concord, . . .	Retired, . . .	1881
21, . . .	Patrick J. Savage, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Feb. 26, 1863, . . .	Boston, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1881
22, . . .	Fred. N. Wier, . . .	Lowell, . . .	July 4, 1861, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1881
23, . . .	Geo. B. McKenna, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Aug. 31, 1857, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Fancy Wire Worker, . . .	1881
. . .	Robert G. Bartlett, . . .	Lowell, . . .	April 8, 1894, . . .	Hopkinton, N. H., . . .	Real Estate Dealer, . . .	1881
24, . . .	Clarence G. Coburn, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Jan. 15, 1850, . . .	Dracut, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1881
. . .	Amasa Pratt, . . .	Lowell, . . .	July 28, 1842, . . .	Waterville, Me., . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1881
25, . . .	Charles H. Hobson, . . .	Lowell, . . .	June 20, 1857, . . .	Lowell, . . .	H. R. Barker Mfg Co., . . .	1881
26, . . .	Frank B. Tilton, . . .	Natick, . . .	Mar. 15, 1840, . . .	Sandown, N. H., . . .	Box Manufacturer, . . .	1880, '91
27, . . .	Edwin D. Thompson, . . .	Hopkinton, . . .	Aug. 26, 1848, . . .	Hopkinton, . . .	Boot Manufacturer, . . .	1881
. . .	James L. Brophy, . . .	Framingham, . . .	Nov. 14, 1852, . . .	Saxonsville, . . .	Carpenter, . . .	1880, '91
28, . . .	Charles H. Boody, . . .	Wayland, . . .	Dec. 27, 1838, . . .	New Durham, N. H., . . .	Physician, . . .	1880, '91
. . .	Francis C. Curtis, . . .	Marlborough, . . .	Mar. 13, 1836, . . .	Dudley, . . .	Provision Dealer, . . .	1874, '75, '76, '90, '91
29, . . .	John J. O'Brien, . . .	Marlborough, . . .	June 11, 1862, . . .	Pepperell, . . .	Shoe Cutter, . . .	1881
30, . . .	Aaron C. Handley, . . .	Acton, . . .	Oct. 7, 1828, . . .	Acton, . . .	Produce Dealer, . . .	'94, '94, '90, '1
31, . . .	Parker J. Kemp, . . .	Pepperell, . . .	June 2, 1847, . . .	Dunstable, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1881
32, . . .	Charles F. Worcester, . . .	Townsend, . . .	Feb. 25, 1859, . . .	Townsend, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1880, '91
NANTUCKET COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Arthur H. Gardner, . . .	Nantucket, . . .	Aug. 4, 1854, . . .	San Francisco, Cal., . . .	Newspaper Publisher, . . .	1881

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NORFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1.	James A. Hartshorn,	Norwood,	Feb. 24, 1854,	Walpole,	Provision Dealer,	1891
2.	George N. Carpenter,	Brookline,	Jan. 26, 1840,	Northfield, Vt.,	Life Insurance,	'87, '8, '9, '90, '1
3.	Wilbur H. Powers,	Hyde Park,	Jan. 22, 1849,	Croydon, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1890, '91
4.	Augustus Hemenway,	Canton,	Oct. 15, 1858,	Boston,	Farmer,	1890, '91
5.	Josiah Quincy,	Quincy,	Oct. 15, 1859,	Quincy,	Lawyer,	'87, '88, '90, '91
6.	James F. Burke,	Quincy,	Nov. 2, 1861,	West Quincy,	Granite Business,	1891
7.	Zachariah L. Bicknell,	Weymouth,	June 20, 1820,	East Weymouth,	Dry Goods,	1892, '91
8.	B. Herbert Woodsum,	Braintree,	Oct. 4, 1857,	—	—	1891
9.	Robert P. Capen,	Stoughton,	May 6, 1824,	Stoughton,	Dairy Farmer,	1891
10.	Henry W. Britton,	Stoughton,	Feb. 13, 1851,	Stoughton,	Insurance Agent,	1890, '91
11.	Erastus P. Carpenter,	Foxborough,	Nov. 23, 1822,	Foxborough,	Real Estate Agent,	1891
12.	Nathan H. Fales,	Norfolk,	Jan. 17, 1847,	Boston,	Farmer,	1891
13.	N. Frank Harding,	Medfield,	Nov. 3, 1843,	Medfield,	Carpenter,	1891
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Elkanah Finney,	Plymouth,	Oct. 31, 1849,	Plymouth,	Moulder,	1887, '88, '91
2.	William J. Wright,	Duxbury,	Nov., 1846,	Brooklyn, N. Y.,	Retired,	1891
3.	John E. O. Prouty,	Scituate,	Mar. 8, 1840,	Scituate,	Farmer,	1891
4.	Thomas Weston,	Hingham,	Sept. 23, 1826,	Middleborough,	Iron Founder,	1891
5.	Eben C. Waterman,	Hanover,	Mar. 1, 1840,	Scituate,	Carpenter,	1891
6.	Benjamin F. Peterson,	Whitman,	Oct. 11, 1836,	South Abington,	Farmer,	1890, '91
7.	Benjamin Gammons,	Rochester,	Feb. 12, 1832,	Rochester,	Shoemaker,	1891
8.	Charles W. Turner,	Middleboro',	June 28, 1828,	Portsmouth, R. I.,	Postmaster,	1891
9.	Amos Hunting,	E. Bridgew'r,	April 12, 1835,	Shutesbury,	Grocer,	1891
10.	Edward E. Herrod,	Brockton,	Nov. 4, 1857,	Covington, Ky.,	Shoe Trade,	1890, '91
11.	Hiram A. Monk,	Brockton,	July 16, 1829,	Stoughton,	Shoe Heel Manufact'r,	1890, '91
12.	Harrison O. Thomas,	Brockton,	June 28, 1840,	Wareham,	Merchant,	1890, '91

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DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When In House.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Frederick B. Day, . Charles A. Tilden, .	East Boston, . East Boston, .	Mar. 20, 1843, Mar. 23, 1835,	Newcastle, Me., . Scituate, .	Apothecary, . Ship Joiner, .	1880, '91 1881
2,	Charles A. Kelly, . Thomas O. McManey, .	East Boston, . East Boston, .	Oct. 27, 1858, Oct. 23, 1857,	Dubuque, Iowa, . East Boston, .	Printer, . Merchant Tailor, .	1891 '88, '89, '90, '91
3,	Cornelius E. Mahoney, . Michael J. Mitchell, .	Charlestown, . Charlestown, .	- July 29, 1855,	Charlestown, . Charlestown, .	Engineer, . Undertaker, .	1891 1890, '91
4,	William H. Oakes, . Charles A. Frazer, .	Charlestown, . Charlestown, .	Jan. 24, 1857, July 4, 1852,	Cohasset, . Bucksport, Me., .	Grocer, . Druggist, .	1891 1890, '91
5,	Edward W. Fresho, . George N. Swallow, .	Charlestown, . Charlestown, .	May 29, 1859, Jan. 2, 1854,	Charlestown, . Charlestown, .	Subscription Books, . Grocer, .	1889, '90, '91 1881
6,	Jeremiah J. Crowley, . J. Otis Fallon, .	Boston, . Boston, .	Aug., 1852, Mar. 16, 1840,	Boston, . Ireland, .	Upholsterer, . Clerk, .	1870, '71, '91 1890, '91
7,	Patrick Cannon, . Roger Haggerty, .	Boston, . Boston, .	May 2, 1854, June 7, 1860,	Boston, . Ireland, .	Trader, . Trader, .	1891 1891
8,	Daniel F. Breen, . Joseph P. Lonnansney, .	Boston, . Boston, .	May 2, 1846, June 7, 1863,	Ireland, . Boston, .	Instructor of Rowing, . Printer, .	1891 1890, '91
9,	William Power Wilson, . Edward C. Ellis, .	Boston, . Boston, .	Mar. 10, 1863, Nov. 15, 1852,	Boston, . Baltimore, Md., .	Lawyer, . Manufacturer, .	1891 1891
10,	Nathaniel W. Ladd, . Charles F. Sprague, .	Boston, . Boston, .	May 30, 1848, Jan. 7, 1848,	Northampton, . Derry, N. H., .	Lawyer, . Lawyer, .	1890, '91 1891
11,	James M. Olmstead, . Perlie A. Dyar, .	Boston, . Boston, .	June 10, 1857, Feb. 6, 1852,	Boston, . Framlingham, .	Lawyer, . Lawyer, .	1891 1891
12,	Patrick J. McGovern, . Michael F. Sullivan, .	Boston, . Boston, .	Mar. 26, 1857, Mar. 17, 1857,	Lynn, . Boston, .	- Trader, Builder, .	1891 1891

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13,	Daniel McCarthy,	South Boston,	July 1, 1856,	Boston,	Boiler Maker,	1891
	Jeremiah J. McNamara,	South Boston,	Dec. 5, 1864,	Boston,	Printer,	1890, '91
14,	Charles J. Chance,	South Boston,	Dec. 19, 1857,	Cambridge,	Barber,	1891
	Richard F. McSolla,	South Boston,	Jan. 27, 1855,	South Boston,	Bottler,	1891
15,	John H. Coffey,	South Boston,	Jan. 1, 1860,	Boston,	Fish Dealer,	1891
	John B. Lynch,	South Boston,	April 13, 1858,	Boston,	Salesman,	1890, '91
16,	Isaac Rosnosky,	Boston,	Nov. 6, 1846,	Wollstein, Prussia	Clothing Manufacturer,	1890, '91
	Thomas J. Kelher,	Boston,	Oct. 13, 1858,	Boston,	Grocer,	1890, '91
17,	Andrew M. Lanigan,	Boston,	July 10, 1860,	Boston,	Clerk,	1891
	Isaac P. Hutchinson,	Boston,	Feb. 26, 1860,	Cambridge,	—	1891
18,	William S. Stevens,	Boston,	June 13, 1859,	Boston,	Physician,	1891
	S. Stillman Blanchard,	Boston,	June 23, 1835,	Cambridge,	Merchant,	1891
19,	Thomas F. Fallon,	Boston,	Dec. 7, 1857,	Providence, R. I.,	Plumber,	1891
	Patrick H. Raftery,	Boston,	July 17, 1856,	Ireland,	Horse Car Conductor,	'85, '6, '7, '88,
20,	Michael J. McEttrick,	Boston,	June 22, 1846,	Roxbury,	Civil Engineer,	'90, '90, '91
	John Golding,	Boston,	April, 1849,	Ireland,	Piano Varnisher,	1891
21,	Henry S. Dewey,	Boston,	Nov. 9, 1856,	Hanover, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1888, '90, '91
	Francis W. Kittredge,	Boston,	June 4, 1843,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	1888, '90, '91
22,	William L. Mooney,	Boston,	Feb. 16, 1867,	Roxbury,	Real Estate,	1890, '91
23,	Salem D. Charles,	Boston,	Mar. 19, 1850,	Britonfield,	Lawyer,	1891
	Charles G. Keyes,	Boston,	Oct. 19, 1832,	Berlin,	Lawyer,	1891
24,	Louis M. Clark,	Dorchester,	Oct. 14, 1852,	Rehoboth,	Lawyer,	1891
	Frederic W. Bliss,	Dorchester,	Dec. 14, 1858,	Dorchester,	Lawyer,	1891
25,	Bentley W. Warren,	Brighton,	April 20, 1864,	Brighton,	Lawyer,	1891
	John M. Plummer,	Chelsea,	April 1, 1843,	Bristol, R. I.,	Rubber Goods,	1891
26,	David E. Gould,	Chelsea,	April 14, 1863,	Chatham,	Lawyer,	1891
	John C. Loud,	Chelsea,	July 26, 1844,	Plymouth, Me.,	Real Estate Agent,	1891
27,	A. W. Richardson,	Winthrop,	Aug. 28, 1854,	Winthrop,	Master Plumber,	1891

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Lucien Lord,	Athol,	Oct. 11, 1840,	Athol,	Real Estate Dealer,	1891
2,	Morton E. Converse,	Winchendon,	Sept. 17, 1837,	Rindge, N. H.,	Chair Manufacturer,	1890, '91
3,	S. Augustus Howe,	Gardner,	July 2, 1839,	Gardner,	Merchant,	1891
4,	Henry C. Longley,	Dana,	Jan. 9, 1841,	Templeton,	Retired,	1891
5,	Ledyard Bill,	Paxton,	May 14, 1836,	Ledyard, Conn.,	Farmer,	1891
6,	George H. Brown,	W. Brookfield,	Sept. 3, 1838,	W. Brookfield,	Farmer,	1891
7,	Timothy Howard,	N. Brookfield,	Oct. 10, 1863,	N. Brookfield,	Lawyer,	1891
8,	Louis E. P. Moreau,	Spencer,	Feb. 25, 1857,	Brookfield,	Merchant,	1890, '91
9,	Hezekiah W. Williams,	Dudley,	May 16, 1838,	Dudley,	Farmer,	1891
10,	John F. Hinds,	Webster,	May 1, 1819,	Worcester,	Jeweller,	1891
11,	Henry B. Bullard,	Sutton,	April 9, 1839,	Holden,	Merchant & Farmer,	1891
12,	Charles H. Harriman,	Northbridge,	Nov. 16, 1852,	Goffstown, N. H.,	Physician,	1891
13,	John T. McLoughlin,	Milford,	June 2, 1865,	Worcester,	Town Clerk,	1891
14,	Michael Carroll,	Blackstone,	July 11, 1849,	Blackstone,	Clerk,	1891
15,	John W. Fairbanks,	Westborough,	Oct. 12, 1843,	Westborough,	Fire Insurance,	1890, '91
16,	Edward C. Howe,	Shrewsbury,	Aug. 9, 1847,	Shrewsbury,	Farmer,	1891
17,	Charles T. Fletcher,	Lancaster,	Mar. 23, 1826,	Lancaster,	Gardner,	1891
18,	Wellington E. Parkhurst,	Clinton,	Jan. 19, 1835,	Frammingham,	Editor,	1890, '91
19,	Aaron O. Wilder,	Leominster,	Aug. 4, 1838,	Wendell,	Merchant,	1891
20,	John W. Kimball,	Fitchburg,	Feb. 27, 1828,	Fitchburg,	Real Estate Agent,	1891
21,	Michael J. Murray,	Fitchburg,	June 18, 1867,	Westborough,	Lawyer,	{ '94, '95, '96, '97, '98, '99, '00.
22,	Henry C. Wheaton,	Worcester,	May 26, 1839,	Jamaica, Vt.,	Insurance,	1890, '91
23,	William H. Rice,	Worcester,	July, 1841,	Wolfeboro', N. H.,	Machinist,	1890, '91

18,	Eugene M. Moriarty,	Worcester,	April 15, 1849,	Ireland,	Journalist,	{ '80, '1, '2, '3, '90, '91
19,	James H. Mellen	Worcester,	Nov. 7, 1845,	Worcester,	Editor,	{ '77, '8, '9, '81, '83, '86, '88, '89, '91
20,	Patrick J. Quinn,	Worcester,	June 4, 1848,	Ireland,	Paper Hanger,	1890, '91
21,	Franklin B. White,	Worcester,		Dudley,	Merchant,	1890, '91
22,	Henry G. Taft,	Worcester,	1896,	Upton,	Grocer,	1891
23,	George S. Clough,	Worcester,	May 2, 1839,	Kenneb'k'p't, Me.,	Real Estate,	1891

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Office.
Edward A. McLaughlin, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	Sept. 25, 1853,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1883
James W. Kimball, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Lynn,	Dec. 17, 1858,	Lynn,	Printer,	1888
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	-	1886
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Boston,	Nov. 11, 1840,	Augusta, Me.,	Clergyman,	1879

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OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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1. The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, proceed to business. (Senate Rule 1.)

2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House. (2.)

[With regard to appeals, see Rules 82 and 93.]

3. He shall declare all votes, subject to verification as hereinafter provided. (53.)

[See Rules 64 to 68.]

4. In all cases he may vote. (3.)

5. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the House, but may read sitting. (2.)

6. He shall each day examine the journal of the House.

7. He may appoint a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding two days at one time. (4.)

8. In case of a vacancy in the office of Speaker, or in case the Speaker or the member named by him in accordance with the preceding rule is absent at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, the senior member present shall call the House to order, and shall preside until a Speaker *pro tempore* or a Speaker is elected by ballot, which shall be the first business in order. (5.)

MONITORS.

9. Two monitors shall be appointed by the Speaker for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to see to the due observance of the Rules and, on request of the Speaker, to

return the number of votes and members in their respective divisions.

10. If a member transgress any of the Rules after being notified thereof by a monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to report the case to the House.

[See Rule 19.]

CLERK.

11. The Clerk shall keep the journal of the House. He shall enter therein a record of each day's proceedings, and submit it to the Speaker before the hour fixed for the next sitting, and shall cause the same to be printed daily. (6.)

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

12. Every question of order with the decision thereon shall be entered at large in the journal, and shall be noted in an appendix, which shall also contain the Rules of the House, and of the two branches. (6.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

13. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration; a list of matters laying on the table; and such other memoranda as the House or the Speaker may direct. (7.)

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

14. Any objection to the calendar shall be made and disposed of before the House votes to proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

15. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, enacted bills, orders of inquiry and orders of notice), until the right of reconsideration has expired: *provided*, that the operation of this Rule shall be suspended during the last week of the session. (8.)

MEMBERS.

16. No member shall stand up, to the inconvenience of others, while a member is speaking; or pass unnecessarily between the Speaker of the House and the member speaking; or stand in the passages, or in the area in front of the chair; nor stand at the Clerk's desk while a roll-call is in progress.

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

17. No member shall be absent more than two days, without leave of the House. No member shall absent himself from

the House without leave, unless there be a quorum without his presence. When it appears to the presiding officer that the presence of a quorum is endangered he shall order the doors to be closed until the House takes action thereon. (11.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

18. Papers in possession of a member obtaining leave of absence, or at the end of the session, shall be left by him with the Clerk.

19. If a member is guilty of a breach of any of the Rules, he may be required by the House, on motion, to make satisfaction therefor; and, until he has done so, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, except by way of excuse.

[See Rule 10.]

COMMITTEES.

20. At the beginning of the political year, standing committees shall be appointed as follows: — (12.)

A committee on Rules;

(to consist of the Speaker, who shall be chairman of the committee, and eight other members).

A committee on the Judiciary;

A committee on Probate and Insolvency;

A committee on Finance;

(to consist of nine members each).

A committee on Elections;

A committee on County Estimates;

(to consist of seven members each).

A committee on Bills in the Third Reading;

A committee on Engrossed Bills;

A committee on Pay-Roll;

A committee on Leave of Absence;

(to consist of three members each).

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

21. Unless other provision is made in any case all committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, and the member first named shall be chairman. (13.)

22. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall be chairman. (13.)

23. No member shall be required to be on more than two committees at the same time, nor chairman of more than one.

24. No member shall serve on any committee in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest. (10.)

25. The committee on Finance shall report, in appropriation bills, only such items of expenditure as are authorized by law, or such as the committee has been directed by the House to insert, and shall state in its report the total amount of appropriations in the accompanying bill; and also at the end of each item in said bill the amount, if any, appropriated the previous year for the same purpose.

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

26. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading shall examine and correct the bills which are referred to it, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes: *provided*, that any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the House as an amendment. (31.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

27. The committee on Engrossed Bills shall carefully examine and compare engrossed bills, and report them rightly and truly engrossed, when found to be so, without delay. (32.)

28. All bills and resolves for introduction on leave, resolutions, petitions, and all orders of inquiry contemplating legislation, intended for presentation by any member of the House, and all reports of State officers, shall first be deposited with the Clerk, and, prior to their presentation shall be submitted by him to the committee on Rules for inspection. The committee shall examine the same for the purpose of ascertaining (1) whether the legislation proposed is plainly and specifically stated or already provided for; (2) whether such matters are in proper form; (3) that reference to the proper committee is designated; and (4) that compliance has been had with the Rules of the House and joint rules of the two branches; every such matter shall be returned by the committee to the Clerk not later than on the third legislative day succeeding the day of its deposit with the Clerk, unless consent in writing to the longer detention thereof is filed with the clerk of the committee on Rules by the member presenting the same, and it shall be presented to the House not later than on the next legislative day after it is so returned.

The committee on Rules shall make no change in the substance, form or reference of any such matter unless with the consent of the member introducing the same, but every such matter shall, upon its presentation to the House, be accompanied by a recommendation of the committee on Rules recommending such amendment or such other action to the House as seems to it advisable within the scope of its duties as above set forth. When no committee of reference is specified the committee may insert the name of the proper committee.

If, upon recommendation of the committee on Rules, a petitioner is given leave to withdraw because the petition is not in proper form such action shall not be deemed to be a final rejection under Rule forty-eight, and shall not prejudice the right of the member to present another petition for the same object in proper form and conformably to the rules : *provided*, such new petition is deposited either before adjournment, on the first Wednesday of February or within one week from the time the House takes such action.

[Adopted Feb. 2, 1891.]

29. When the object of an application, whether by petition, order, or bill introduced on leave, can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, as the case may be. (16.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

30. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition ; nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee except upon a petition duly referred ; nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee report-

ing leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court, for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof, shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for or amendment of such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. (15.)

[Adopted Feb. 11, 1890.]

31. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885 as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890 or by other provisions of law ; but if, no objection being raised, such a petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition, after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee, on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or referred to another committee ; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. (23.)

[Adopted Feb. 11, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

32. On or before the fourth Wednesday in March, committees shall make final report upon matters referred to them prior to that day.

[Amended Feb. 15, 1883 ; Feb. 2, 1891.]

Committee of the Whole.

33. When the House determines to go into a committee of the whole, the chairman shall be appointed by the Speaker.

34. The Rules of the House shall be observed in a committee of the whole, so far as they may be applicable, except the rules limiting debate. A motion to rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, shall be always first in order and be decided without debate.

REGULAR COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

Petitions, etc., and Reports of Committees.

35. Petitions, memorials, remonstrances and papers of a like nature, and reports of committees, shall be presented before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day, and the Speaker shall call for such papers.

36. The member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall indorse his name thereon, with a brief statement of the nature and object of the paper; and the reading thereof shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered. (18.)

Papers from the Senate.

37. Papers from the Senate shall be laid before the House by the Speaker, and received for action conformably to such of these Rules as are applicable thereto, before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Papers addressed to the House, not Petitions.

38. Papers addressed to the House, or the General Court, other than petitions, memorials and remonstrances, or those received from the Senate, may be presented by the Speaker, or by a member in his place, and shall be read, unless it is specially ordered that the reading be dispensed with.

Orders of Inquiry.

39. All motions contemplating legislation, when not founded upon petition, or upon bill proposed to be introduced on leave, shall be made in the form of an order of inquiry, which shall indicate the nature of the legislation proposed; and if reference be made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order shall specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates. (19.)

Postponement to the Next Day on Request of a Member.

40. The consideration of an order or resolution proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill or any motion to suspend Joint Rules eight, nine, twelve or thirteen, or House Rules thirty, thirty-one, forty-four or forty-five shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement. (22.)

[Amended June 13, 1890.]

Bills and Resolves. [See Rule 94.]

41. Bills shall be printed or written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections, dates and numbers being written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law, and no part of any repealed law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely. (17.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891.]

42. If a committee to whom a bill is referred report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be, "Shall this bill be rejected?" If the question on rejection is negatived, the bill, if it has been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question; otherwise it shall be placed in the orders for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be. (28.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883.]

43. Bills involving an expenditure of public money, or grant of public property, shall, after their first reading, be referred to the committee on Finance, for report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth. New provisions shall not be added to such bills by the committee on Finance, unless directly connected with the financial features thereof. (25.)

[Amended Jan. 24, 1887; Feb. 11, 1890.]

44. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, shall be referred to a committee of the House, unless they were reported to the Senate by a joint committee. (24.)

45. Amendments proposed by the Senate and sent back to the House for concurrence shall be referred to the committee

which reported the measure proposed to be amended, unless such committee is composed of members of both branches. In which case such amendments shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day.

[Amended April 9, 1878.]

46. No bill shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the Senate, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee: *provided*, that the House may grant special leave to a member to introduce a bill: but, when leave is asked for the introduction of a bill, it shall be read for information before the question is put on granting leave; and, if leave is granted, it shall be committed before it is ordered to a second reading. (21.)

47. Bills, resolves and other papers that have been, or, under the Rules or usage of the House, are to be printed, shall be read by their titles only, unless the full reading is requested. (27.)

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1883.]

48. When a bill, order, petition, memorial or remonstrance has been finally rejected by the House, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the same session. (52.)

[Amended April 26, 1877; Feb. 11, 1890.]

49. Bills in their third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading for examination, correction and report. (31.)

[See Rule 26.]

50. No bill shall pass to be engrossed without having been read on three several days. (26.)

51. Engrossed bills shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills for examination, comparison and report. (32.)

[See Rule 27.]

52. No engrossed bill shall be amended, except by striking out the enacting clause. (47.) (32.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

53. Engrossed bills, reported by the committee on Engrossed Bills to be rightly and truly engrossed, shall be put upon their passage to be enacted; and engrossed resolves, when so reported, shall be put upon their passage without further reading, unless specially ordered. (32.)

54. No engrossed bill shall be sent to the Senate without notice thereof being given by the Speaker.

Orders of the Day.

55. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, when not referred to a committee of the House, bills favorably reported to the House by committees, and bills the question of the rejection of which is negatived, shall be placed in the orders for the next day, and if they have been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question. (24.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883; Feb. 5, 1886.]

56. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which they are received from the Senate, or made to the House, as the case may be: *provided*, that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered and shall not be subject to the provisions of Rule fifteen. (34.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891.]

57. Bills ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the orders of the next day for such reading, but shall not be acted upon until report is made thereon by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. (30.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

58. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the House shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; after which the matters that were passed over shall be considered in like order and disposed of. (35.)

59. When the House does not finish the consideration of the Orders of the Day, those which had not been acted upon shall be the orders of the next and each succeeding day until disposed of, and shall be entered in the calendar, without change in their order, to precede matters added under Rules fifty-five, fifty-six and fifty-seven. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the next day, after motions to reconsider. (33.)

Special Rules affecting the Course of Proceedings.

[For postponement of Order, etc., to the next day, on request of a member, see Rule 40.]

60. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom, or considered out of the regular course. (36.)

61. If under the operation of the previous question, or otherwise, an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill substantially changing the greater part of such bill, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill to a third reading or to be engrossed (as the case may be), but the bill, as amended, shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when under the operation of the previous question or otherwise, an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made. (29.)

VOTING.

62. No member shall vote upon any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest. (10.)

63. Members desiring to be excused from voting shall make application to that effect before the division of the House or the taking of the yeas and nays is begun. Such application may be accompanied by a brief statement of reasons by the member making it, but shall be decided without debate, and shall not be subject to the provisions of Rule sixty-seven. (55.)

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Feb. 5, 1886.]

64. When a question is put, the sense of the House shall be taken by the voices of the members, and the Speaker shall first announce the vote as it appears to him by the sound. (53.)

65. If the Speaker is unable to decide by the sound of the voices, or if his announcement made thereupon is doubted by a member rising in his place for that purpose, the Speaker shall order a return by divisions of the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative, without further debate upon the question. (53.)

[For duty of monitors in case of a division, see Rule 9.]

66. When a return by divisions is ordered, the members for or against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall rise in their places, and stand until they are counted. If upon the taking of such a vote the presence of a quorum is doubted,

a count of the House shall be had, and if a quorum is present the vote shall stand.

[Amended Feb. 11, 1889.]

67. The sense of the House shall be taken by yeas and nays whenever required by thirty of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the House shall be called in alphabetical order, and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor before the vote is declared. If, before such time, a member states to the House that he has paired with another member, and how each would vote upon the pending question, the fact shall be entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting, but shall be included with the members voting for the purposes of a quorum. (54.) (55.)

[Amended Jan. 4, 1878; April 2, 1878; April 1, 1879; Feb. 2, 1891.]

68. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate. If the yeas and nays have been ordered before the question is put, the proceedings under Rules sixty-four, sixty-five and sixty-six shall be omitted; if not, they may be called for in lieu of a return by divisions when the Speaker's announcement is doubted by a member rising in his place, and, if then ordered, the proceedings under Rules sixty-five and sixty-six shall be omitted. (50.)

Reconsideration.

69. When a vote has passed (except as provided in the next rule), it shall only be in order for any member to move the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day, and such motion, if made on the same day, shall (except in the last week of the session) be placed first in the orders of the next day after that on which it is made; but, if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be moved before the Orders of the Day are taken up and shall be forthwith considered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the House, but shall be considered at the time when it is made. (51.)

[Amended June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

70. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be

twice reconsidered ; nor shall any vote be reconsidered upon either of the following motions : —

to adjourn,
to lay on the table,
to take from the table ; or,
for the previous question. (51.)

71. Debate on motions to reconsider shall be limited to thirty minutes, and no member shall occupy more than five minutes ; but on a motion to reconsider a vote upon any subsidiary or incidental question, debate shall be limited to ten minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 5, 1886 ; June 13, 1890.]

[For rule requiring the Clerk to retain papers, except, etc., until the right of consideration has expired, see Rule 15.]

RULES OF DEBATE.

72. Every member, when about to speak, shall rise and respectfully address the Speaker ; shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities ; and shall sit down when he has finished. No member shall speak out of his place without leave of the Speaker. (37.)

73. When two or more members rise at the same time the Speaker shall name the member entitled to the floor, preferring one who rises in his place to one who does not. (38.)

74. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order. (40.)

75. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of those who have not spoken and desire to speak on the same question. (39.)

Motions.

76. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if the Speaker so directs. (42.)

77. A motion need not be seconded, and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made. (42.)

78. A motion to adjourn shall be always first in order, and shall be decided without debate ; and on the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table, to commit, to recommit or to postpone to a time certain, not exceeding ten minutes shall be

allowed for debate; and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (50.)

[Amended Feb. 19, 1878; Jan. 26, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891.]

[For application to be excused from voting, to be decided without debate, see Rule 63.]

[For call for yeas and nays, to be decided without debate, see Rule 68.]

[For questions of order, arising after the previous question is moved, to be decided without debate, except on appeal, see Rule 82.]

79. When a question is before the House, until it is disposed of, the Speaker shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except the motion to adjourn, or some other motion that has precedence either by express rule of the House, or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same, except, —

to lay on the table,

See Rule 78.

to refer to the next General Court,

See Rule 83.

for the previous question,

See Rules 80-85.

to close the debate at a specified time,

See Rules 84, 85.

to postpone to a time certain,

See Rules 78 and 86.

to commit (or recommit),

See Rules 78 and 87.

to amend,

See Rules 88-91.

which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged in this rule. (44.)

[Amended June 13, 1890.]

Previous Question.

80. The previous question shall be put in the following form: "*Shall the main question be now put?*"—and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question is decided.

81. On the previous question, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and that only to give reasons why the main question should not be put; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

82. All questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question shall be decided without debate, excepting on appeal; and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without leave of the House.

[See Rule 93.]

83. The adoption of the previous question shall put an end to all debate except as provided in Rule eighty-five, and bring the House to a direct vote upon pending amendments, if any, in

their regular order, and then upon the main question, or upon referring to the next General Court.

[Amended June 13, 1890.]

Motion to Close Debate at a Specified Time.

84. Debate may be closed at any time not less than thirty minutes from the adoption of a motion to that effect. On this motion, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. In case the time is extended by unanimous consent, the same rule shall apply at the end of the extended time as at the time originally fixed. (45.)

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Jan. 15, 1880.]

[See the next Rule.]

When Debate is closed, Ten Minutes allowed, etc.

85. When debate is closed by ordering the previous question, or by a vote to close debate at a specified time, the member in charge of the measure under consideration shall be allowed to speak ten minutes, and may grant to any other member any portion of his time. When the measure under consideration has been referred to the committee on Finance, under House Rule forty-three, the member originally reporting it shall be considered in charge, except where the report of the committee on Finance is substantially different from that referred to them, in which case the member originally reporting the measure, and the member of the Finance Committee reporting thereon, shall each be allowed to speak five minutes, the latter to have the close. When the member entitled to speak under this rule is absent, the member standing first in order upon the committee reporting the measure, who is present and joined in the report, shall have the right to occupy such time.

[Amended March 28, 1877; Feb. 11, 1890.]

Motion to Postpone to a Time Certain.

86. When a motion is made to postpone to a time certain, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined before the question is put on postponement, which may then be rejected if the House see fit. (49.)

Motion to Commit.

87. When a motion is made to commit, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order:—

- ✓ a standing committee of the House,
- a select committee of the House,
- a joint standing committee,
- a joint select committee;

and a subject may be recommitted to the same committee or to another committee at the pleasure of the House. (46.)

Motions to Amend.

88. A motion to amend an amendment may be received; but no amendment in the third degree shall be allowed.

89. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment. (48.)

90. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it. (43.)

91. In filling blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first. (49.)

Enacting Clause.

92. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall only be received when the bill is before the House for enactment.

[Amended June 13, 1890.]

APPEAL.

93. No appeal from the decision of the Speaker shall be entertained unless it is seconded; and no other business shall be in order until the question on the appeal has been disposed of.

[See Rule 82.]

RESOLVES.

94. Such of these Rules as are applicable to bills, whether of the House or of the Senate, shall apply likewise to such resolves as require the concurrence of the Senate and approval by the Governor, in order to become laws and have force as such. Except in Rule fifty-three, the word "bill" shall be equivalent to the word "resolve" in the same place.

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

95. A time shall be assigned for elections by ballot, at least one day previous thereto, except in the cases provided for in Rule eight. (56.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

SECRET SESSION.

96. All proceedings in secret session, and matters relating thereto, shall be kept secret until the House removes the injunction of secrecy.

SEATS.

97. (1.) The desk on the right of the Speaker shall be assigned to the use of the Clerk and such persons as he may employ to assist him, and that on the left to the use of the Chairmen of the committees on Bills in the Third Reading and on Engrossed Bills.

(2.) The senior member of the House, and the oldest member of the House who is not the senior member, shall be allowed to select their seats from those not otherwise assigned, before the drawing of seats by the members.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878.]

(3.) The seat numbered 34, in the first division, shall be assigned to the use of the Chairman of the committee on the Judiciary; that numbered 15, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Finance; that numbered 52, in the first division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Probate and Insolvency; and that numbered 39, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Railroads on the part of the House.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878; Jan. 6, 1882.]

(4.) The following seats shall be assigned to the use of the monitors : —

Those numbered 8 and 11, in the first division ;
100 and 104, in the second division ;
96 and 99, in the third division ;
92 and 95, in the fourth division ;
87 and 91, in the fifth division ; and
4 and 7, in the sixth division.

[Amended Jan. 6, 1882.]

(5.) The first business in order, after the appointment of standing committees and monitors is announced by the Speaker, shall be the drawing of the other seats upon the floor of the House.

(6.) The Clerk shall call the roll of the members in alphabetical order, omitting the names of the Speaker, the senior member, the oldest member, the chairmen of committees hereinbefore mentioned, and the monitors ; and the drawing shall be had in presence of the House, under the supervision of a committee of three selected from the members mentioned in this paragraph.

(7.) The seat assigned to any member, or drawn by him, shall be his seat for the year, unless an exchange is made and notice thereof given to the Sergeant-at-Arms within five days from the day of the drawing.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.

98. The following persons shall be entitled to admission to the floor of the House, during the session thereof, to occupy seats not numbered : —

(1.) The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor and Attorney-General, Librarian and Assistant Librarian.

(2.) The members of the Senate.

(3.) Persons in the exercise of an official duty directly connected with the business of the House.

(4.) The legislative reporters assigned to seats in the reporters' gallery. (56.)

(5.) Contestants for seats in the House, whose papers are in the hands of the committee on Elections, may be admitted, while their cases are pending, to seats to be assigned by the Speaker.

No other person shall be admitted to the floor during the session except upon the permission of the Speaker; and it shall not be in order for the Speaker to entertain a motion for the suspension of this rule or to present from the chair the request of any member for unanimous consent. (58.) (59.)

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1890.]

REPRESENTATIVES' CHAMBER.

99. Use of the Representatives' Chamber shall not be granted except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon: *provided*, that the use of the chamber for the purpose of holding a hearing before a joint committee or a committee of the House may be granted by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon. (14.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

100. The rules of parliamentary practice shall govern the House in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with these Rules or the joint rules of the two branches. (60.)

DEBATE ON MOTIONS FOR THE SUSPENSION OF RULES.

101. Debate upon a motion for the suspension of any of the joint rules or House Rules shall be limited to fifteen minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 11, 1869; June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

SUSPENSION, AMENDMENT AND REPEAL.

102. Nothing in these Rules shall be dispensed with, altered or repealed, unless two-thirds of the members present consent thereto; but this Rule, and Rules forty, forty-eight, forty-nine, sixty-one, sixty-nine, ninety-eight and ninety-nine, shall not be suspended, unless by unanimous consent of the members present. (61.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1890; June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

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COMMITTEES.

1. Joint standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year as follows : —

- A committee on Agriculture ;
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- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Constitutional Amendments ;
- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House.

- A committee on Election Laws ;
- A committee on Federal Relations ;
- A committee on Fisheries and Game ;
- A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;
- A committee on Insurance ;
- A committee on the Library ;
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- A committee on Printing ;
- A committee on Prisons ;
- A committee on Public Health ;
- A committee on Public Service ;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges ;
- A committee on State House ;
- A committee on Taxation ;
- A committee on Towns ;
- A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee

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Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, or on Rules, shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882; Jan. 5, 1883; Jan. 7, 1884; Jan. 8, 1885; Jan. 26, 1885; Jan. 8, 1886; Jan. 12, 1887; Jan. 9, 1888; Jan. 28, 1889; Jan. 8, 1890, and Feb. 2, 1891.]

2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

3. No joint committee shall be given authority to travel outside of the limits of the Commonwealth except by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon, and no committee shall so travel except at the expense of the Commonwealth. In any case when a committee is authorized to travel, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall provide transportation only for members of the committee and the officer accompanying them, and the reasonable travelling expenses of such members and officers only shall be charged to or paid by the Commonwealth. Neither the Sergeant-at-Arms nor the officer detailed by him shall permit any person to accompany such committee while in the discharge of its official duties, unless invited by vote of the committee.

All bills for the travelling expenses of committees shall, in such form and detail as may be prescribed by the auditor of the Commonwealth, be submitted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the committee by whom they have been incurred; and such bills, before they are presented to the auditor of the Commonwealth, shall first be approved by a majority of the committee incurring them. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall procure from the auditor

and shall, on the first Monday in each month, transmit to the General Court in print a statement of all such bills which have been presented to the auditor during the preceding month. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

4. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve, or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference to an equal distribution of business between the two branches, except that money bills shall be reported to the House; and except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

5. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch, but no such recommitment shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

6. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be printed or fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, and on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and with spaces between the several sections. Dates and numbers shall be printed or written in words at length. [Amended Jan. 28, 1891.]

7. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "inexpedient to legislate." [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

Notice to Parties Interested.

8. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies,

shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition, nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee except upon a petition duly referred, nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommitment with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for, or amendment of, such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890.]

9. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890, or by other provisions of law; but if, no objection being raised, such a petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted

or referred to another committee; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

Limit of Time Allowed for Reports of Committees.

10. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the fourth Wednesday in March. All matters upon which no report has then been made, shall, on or before the following Monday, be reported by the chairman of the committee on the part of the branch in which they were respectively introduced, with a recommendation of reference to the next General Court under this rule. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

Committees of Conference.

11. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of Conference.

Limit of Time Allowed for New Business.

12. Resolutions, and petitions, memorials, orders of inquiry, bills and resolves introduced on leave and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required to be made to the Legislature, deposited with the Clerk of either branch subsequent to adjournment on the first Wednesday in February, shall, when presented, be referred to the next General Court; but this rule shall not apply to petitions in aid of, and remonstrances against, legislation already introduced and pending, nor shall it apply to a petition offered in place of a former one having in view the same object, upon which, before reference to a committee, leave to withdraw was given because the same was not in proper form, provided that such subsequent petition is deposited with the Clerk of either branch within one week from the day on which leave to withdraw was given. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended, or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. [Amended Feb. 7, 1890, and Feb. 2, 1891.]

Requests for Legislation to be Deposited with the Clerks.

13. Petitions, memorials, orders of inquiry, bills and resolves for introduction on leave and all other subjects of legislation, and all resolutions, intended for presentation to the General Court by any member, shall be deposited with the Clerk of the branch to which such member belongs, and shall be laid before such branch not later than at the session of the fourth legislative day succeeding the day on which the same have been so deposited. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

14. The joint committee on Rules shall have authority to prescribe the manner and form of keeping the dockets of legislative counsel and agents which are required by law. [Adopted Feb. 2, 1891.]

Duties of the Clerks.

15. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall endorse upon the report such amendment.

16. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

17. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and when engrossed the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the same have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

18. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

19. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an endorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which endorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

20. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, and such regulations shall be reported to and be subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill, or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows: to wit, two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's office; six copies to the State Library; one copy to each Public Library in the Commonwealth, which shall make due application therefor to the Sergeant-at-Arms, and shall make proper provision for the transmission and preservation thereof; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886, and Jan. 28, 1889.]

21. Bills, resolves and other papers requiring the approval of the Governor shall be laid before him for his approbation by the Clerk of the Senate, who shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were so laid before the Governor. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

*Constitutional Amendments.**

22. All resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the question upon agreeing to an amendment to the Constitution shall be taken by yeas and nays. [Amended Jan. 28, 1891.]

Joint Conventions.

23. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

24. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

25. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

26. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Elections of United States Senators.

27. The joint assembly required to be held by the statutes of the United States, relating to the elections of Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a Convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said statutes. The President of the Convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement, and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the Convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the Convention shall be called in alphabetical order; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

28. Any joint rule, except the twelfth, may be altered, suspended, or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto.

[No. 4.]

QUESTIONS OF ORDER.

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That resolutions general in their scope may be moved as an amendment to resolutions special in their character. [60.]

That amendments broader in their scope than the subject-matter on which a report is based are not in order. [126, 628, 733, 807, 914, 915, 921, 932, 1111.]

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That a measure having been once rejected by the House, no measure substantially the same can be considered during the same session. [419.]

That it is too late to raise the point of order that a bill is broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the petition on which it is based after the bill has been ordered to a third reading. [807.]

That a bill to require railroad corporations increasing their capital stock to sell the new shares at public auction, reported on an order, did not violate the provisions of House Rule 30, which provides that no legislation affecting the rights of individuals, etc., shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition. [603, 638-641.]

That House Rule 30 does not contemplate that individual stockholders in corporations are to be considered as factors in any regulation of legislation concerning corporations, or that the rights of individual holders of stock in a corporation can be separated from the rights of the whole body of stockholders, the corporation itself. [640-641.]

When a committee has reported upon one of several papers involving the same subject, it has no authority to make further report upon the same subject. [790.]

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That a bill contemplating legislation affecting certain trust companies differently from other trust companies of the same class comes within the provisions of House Rule 30, and should be based upon a petition rather than upon an order. [821, 866.]

That under Joint Rule 5, which provides that no recommittal shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March, a motion made at a later date to recommit is not in order. [866, 983.]

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[No. 5.]

THE OATH OF OFFICE.

[See page 4.]

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough, 241, 257, 267; enacted, 327.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, 271, 286, 294; enacted, 362.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police, 272, 286, 294; enacted, 362.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State Farm at Bridgewater, 272, 286, 294; enacted, 383.
- Making an appropriation for the Westborough Insane Hospital for the year 1891, 433; enacted, 493.

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Making an appropriation for the State House Loan Sinking Fund, 1901, 813, 884; enacted, 912.

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, for the Carney Hospital and for certain other expenses authorized by law, 918, 939; enacted, 992.

In addition to an act making an appropriation for the State House Loan Sinking Fund, 1901, 964, 992; enacted, 1065.

Making appropriations for the Woman's Charity Club Hospital, for expenses in connection with the abolition of grade crossings and for certain other expenses authorized by law, 1035, 1058, 1066; enacted, 1116.

Making appropriations for the extermination of the insect known as the *ocæris dispar*, or gypsy moth, 1088, 1100; enacted, 1116.

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Armories, so much of the report of the Adjutant-General as relates to appropriations for, 570; resolve (S. reported) providing for furnishing the new armory at Fitchburg, 736, 763, 771; passed, 816.

Arsenic, Order relative to preventing the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing, 153; petitions in aid, 175, 191, 245, 256, 260, 269, 270, 297, 324, 326, 331, 332, 343, 350, 368, 391, 402, 433, 441, 517; bill (S.) reported, 783, 845, 944, 991, 1037; enacted, 1066.

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Order relative to the issuing of special warrants by, 203; report (inexpedient) accepted, 488.

Order relative to the return of the number of fowl assessed for taxation, 203; bill reported, 309, 319, 329; enacted, 363.

Petition for legislation providing for true lists of personal property for taxation, 217; order relative to amending the law requiring persons bringing in lists of property to make oath to the same, 75; petitions in aid, 868, 903, 909; remonstrance against, 981; bill reported, 738, 752, 814, 861, 908, 913; referred to the next General Court, 1003, 1016, 1028.

Order relative to amending the law concerning taxation so as to provide how notices, summons and demands shall be made, 232; report (inexpedient), 489; accepted, 509.

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Order relative to legislation concerning the compilation of street lists by, so as to show the age and occupation of persons assessed, 166; bill reported, 577, 601, 627, 746; enacted, 787.

Assignees, Bill (S.) relative to the settlement of insolvent estates in certain cases after the decease of the original, 999, 1078, 1110, 1117; enacted, 1123.

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Order relative to limiting the time for which, on real estate shall be a lien thereon, 186; report (inexpedient), 551; accepted, 582.

Attleborough Savings Bank, Petition of the, for reimbursement for taxes paid in excess of the amount due, 617; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 669.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL:

Votes for, committee on returns of, appointed, 8; report (S.) of, accepted, 12; notified of election, 15.

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Order relative to requesting the opinion of the, on certain questions of law concerning the contested election in the seventh Suffolk representative district, 528, 547; opinion received, 556.

Attorneys-at-law, Order relative to the disbaring of, for deceit, malpractice or other gross misconduct, 31, 46; bill reported, 395, 410, 421; new draft (S.), 1106, 1117, 1126, 1130; enacted, 1136.

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Order relative to authorizing the, to furnish a statement of grants and allowances to sundry institutions made by the Legislature from 1860 to 1890, inclusive, 305; statement received, 349, 491; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 533.

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- Bacon, Thomas H., and others, Petition for incorporation for the purpose of building a ship canal. (See "Cape Cod Ship Canal.")
- Ball, Bill (on leave) relating to, in criminal cases, 296; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 325.
- Ball commissioners, Order relative to providing that commissioners of insolvency shall be, 234; report (inexpedient), 445; accepted, 460.
- Ball fees, Order relative to abolishing or reducing, in cases of drunkenness or other misdemeanors, 234; report (inexpedient), 573, 595, 1011, 1033; accepted, 1066.
- Bakers, Petition for legislation concerning the Sunday work of, 471; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 517.
- Baldwinville, Petition of the First Congregational Society of, for confirmation of certain acts, 500; bill reported, 719, 731, 740; enacted, 831.
- Ballot-boxes. (See "Elections.")
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- Banking. (See "Co-operative Banking.")
- Bankruptcy law, Resolutions relating to the passage of a general, by Congress, 19; adopted, 59.
- Bannon, Bridget, Petition that, may be made eligible to receive State aid, 1133; report (S. leave to withdraw) accepted, 1139.
- Barber shops, Petition relative to the opening of, on the Lord's day, 219; report (leave to withdraw), 394; accepted, 409.
- Barnstable, Petition of Frederick W. Dickinson and others for authority to build a bridge over tide-waters in the town of, 27, 43; bill reported, 170, 193, 212; enacted, 292.
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- Petition relative to the close season for shore and marsh birds in, 163; report (leave to withdraw), 353; accepted, 363.
- Bartholomew, Frank A., Petition of, for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad. (See "Elevated Railroads.")
- Bastardy complaints, Order relative to amending the law concerning the giving of bond on the continuance of hearings in, 204; bill reported, 361, 373, 400, 764, 956, 993, 1021; enacted, 1042.
- Belchertown, Petition (S.) for legislation to legalize the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of, 549; bill (S.) reported, 759, 918, 931, 940; enacted, 960.
- BELMONT:**
- Petitions for the annexation of a part of the town of, to the city of Cambridge, 63, 129; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 265.
- Petition for a readjustment of the boundary line between, and Cambridge, 486; bill reported, 620, 673, 684; enacted, 762.
- Benevolent Building Association. (See "State Loan.")
- Bennington Battle Monument, Order relative to the representation of Massachusetts at the dedication of the, 80; message from the Governor transmitting a communication from the Governor of Vermont inviting Massachusetts to unite with the States of New Hampshire and Vermont in the dedication of the, 307; resolve reported, 555, 705, 769, 788, 883; passed, 912; joint special committee appointed, 1142.

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Petition of the county commissioners of, for an act requiring the examination of reservoirs and dams, 515; bill reported, 720, 731, 804; enacted, 886.

Bernardston, Petition for a change of name of the Unitarian Society of, 72; bill reported, 159, 171, 193; enacted, 293.

Berry, John M. (See "General Court;" also "State Loan;" also "Towns;" also "Cities.")

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Petition that that part of, known as Beverly Farms be set off and incorporated as a separate town; referred to the next General Court, 29.

Petition that the easterly portion of the town of Wenham, together with that portion of, known as Beverly Farms, be incorporated as a new town by the name of Beverly Farms; referred to the next General Court, 29.

Petition for authority for the city of Salem and the town of, to take land to preserve their water supply, 246; bill (S.) reported, 759, 770, 779; enacted, 831.

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Billerica, Petition (S.) that the town of, be authorized to accept the Howe School as a high school, 549; bill reported, 680, 698, 711; enacted, 787.

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Bird, Herman, Petition of, for a recount of the votes for representative to the General Court in the fourth Middlesex district, 30, 54; committee on Elections authorized to send for persons and papers and employ a stenographer, 137; report (leave to withdraw), 380; accepted, 398.

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Order relative to a bounty for the destruction of hawks and other, 131; report (inexpedient), 489; accepted, 508.

Report of the State Board of Agriculture on the, of the State, 349; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 473.

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Order relative to repealing so much of the law concerning the better preservation of, as relates to pursuing any wild fowl with or by aid of a sail boat or steam launch, 74, 147; petition in aid, 215; report (inexpedient), 308, 319; accepted, 348.

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Blind persons, Petition (S.) relative to the exemption of, from taxation, 93; bill reported, 284, 294; rejected, 304.

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Order relative to regulating procedure by and before, 111; report (inexpedient), 573, 596, 621, 671; bill substituted, 732, 753, 802, 836, 838, 902; rejected, 905.

Boards of health, authority of, to enforce sanitary regulations of public buildings and school-houses. (See "School-houses.")

Boats, marking of places dangerous to yachts and small. (See "Boston Harbor.")

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Boilers, licensing of persons in charge of portable steam engines or. (See "Steam Engines.")

BOND INVESTMENT COMPANIES:

Bill (on leave) concerning the issuing of certain obligations, 744, 785, 804, 894, 1010, 1062; enacted, 1069.

Order relative to directing the Insurance Commissioner to report to the House as complete a summary as possible of the financial operations for 1890 of the so-called endowment societies, 799, 810; communication received, 829; placed on file, 1011.

Order relative to directing the Commissioner of Corporations to furnish a list of the foreign corporations who have filed papers in his office whose purpose is the payment of bonds or sums of money as endowments, 822; communication received, 876.

Boston and Lowell Railroad Company, Petition (S.) of the, for authority to increase its capital stock, 93; bill (S.) reported, 609, 636, 670, 674; enacted, 710.

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Petition of the, for legislation to enable it to purchase any railroad corporation organized under the laws of Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire or Vermont now leased to, or operated by, or controlled by the, 27, 43; bill (S.) reported, 718, 786, 804, 816, 828, 836; enacted, 887.

Railroad from the Amesbury branch of the, to New Hampshire. (See "Amesbury.")

Petition of Granstein Brothers to compel the, to carry out certain recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners concerning the transportation of a milk car, 217; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 647.

Petition relative to the abolition of the grade crossings on Causeway and Travers streets in Boston, 289; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 333.

Petition that the town of Stoneham be authorized to aid an extension of the, 631; bill reported, 681, 698, 709; enacted, 762.

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company. (See "Cape Cod Ship Canal.")

BOSTON, CITY OF:

Order relative to providing for the election in the, of one alderman from each ward to be elected annually, and for three councilmen from each ward, one elected each year to hold office for three years, 17, 56, 67; report (inexpedient), 812; accepted, 824.

Sixth annual report of the board of police of the, 19, 490.

Elevated railroads in. (See "Elevated Railroads.")

Order relative to a commission to locate and lay out streets in the, on a general and comprehensive plan, 30, 45; petition relative to the same, 174; petition (S.) that the board of street commissioners of the, be authorized to locate and lay out streets in said city where, in their opinion, they ought to be located and laid out, 58; petition (S.) relative to the laying out of highways over vacant lands in the, 143; order relative to authorizing the, to do all opening of highways, 178; order (S.) relative to authorizing the laying out of new streets over vacant lands and the making of new streets, 206; bill (reported) relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the, 747, 761, 781, 817; enacted, 912.

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Minority views of the committee on Cities concerning the laying out of highways in the, ordered printed, 757.

Order relative to amending the charter of the, relating to the consolidation of departments, term of office, elections and appointing power of the mayor, 31, 45; bills reported :

Giving authority to the mayor of the, to make appointments without their being subject to confirmation, 784, 890, 935; rejected, 940, 946.

Relating to the departments of the, and the officers and boards in charge thereof, 813, 832, 902, 911; notice of rejection by the Senate, 999.

Bill (S. reported) relating to the term of office of the mayor of the, 903, 951; rejected 1006, 1014.

Petition (S.) for the passage of an act empowering the, to water its streets and to levy and collect assessments to meet the whole or a part of the expense incurred thereby, 58. (See "Streets.")

Petition (S.) of the, for authority to make certain improvements in the Church Street district, 58; report (reference to the next General Court), 683; accepted, 663.

Petition (S.) for the passage of an act authorizing the payment of a suitable salary to the members of the common council of the, 58; report (leave to withdraw), 473, 514; accepted, 611.

Petition (S.) that the, be authorized to borrow \$850,000 outside its debt limit for completing the new public library building, 58; order relative to the same subject, 129; bill reported, 813, 862; enacted, 912.

Petition (S.) that the, be authorized to build a bridge from the city proper to East Boston, 58; report (leave to withdraw), 535, 559, 650, 705, 729; bill substituted, 780, 888, 1038; enacted, 1100.

Petition (S.) that the, be authorized to borrow \$300,000 outside its debt limit for the construction of a new bridge across the channel between L Street and Congress Street, 69, 83; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 725.

Petition for an act to enable the, to pay a sum of money to the widow of John T. Kilty, 78; bill (S.) reported, 307, 319, 329; enacted, 355.

Order relative to notice concerning bay windows and projections on buildings in the, 86; report (reference to the next General Court), 633; accepted, 663.

Petition relative to councilmen in wards 22 and 25 in the, 91; bill reported, 353, 363, 373; enacted, 436.

Establishment of a nautical school at the port of Boston. (See "Nautical School.")

Order (S.) relative to the election of aldermen-at-large in the, 93; report (S. inexpedient), 963; accepted, 1005.

Order relative to providing that only one place for each one thousand of the population shall be licensed to sell intoxicating liquor in the, 103; report (Inexpedient), 425; accepted, 437.

Order (S.) relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the municipal court of, the Charlestown district of the, 105; bill (S.) reported, 465, 478, 495; enacted, 521.

Petition for the conveyance or lease to the, of certain land belonging to the Commonwealth in South Boston, 108; bill (S.) reported, 1106, 1123, 1131, 1137; enacted, 1141.

Petition for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of 1889 relating to Mount Hope Cemetery, 108; report (leave to withdraw), 812; referred to the next General Court, 862.

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Widows' Society in. (See "Widows' Society in Boston.")

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- Order relative to amending the charter of the, so as to change the present system of submitting annual estimates to the mayor, to establish some board of estimates or of appropriation, and to change the financial year of said city, 139; report (inexpedient) accepted, 658.
- Petition for legislation enabling the, to pay to the widow of Richard F. Tobin the salary that would have been payable to such officer as fire commissioner of the, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, 147; bill reported, 272, 286, 294; enacted, 354.
- Petition (S.) relative to defining the boundary line between the, and Somerville, 158; petition in aid, 313; bill reported, 747, 763, 770; enacted, 840.
- Petition (S.) of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the, for increase of salaries, 159; report (S. leave to withdraw), 464; accepted, 477.
- Petition for legislation to require all money bills of the, to originate in the common council, 162; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 417.
- Petition that the common council of the, may be given concurrent authority with the aldermen in all matters, 162; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 417.
- Petition that the, be authorized to construct and maintain its own gas and electric light plant, 164; report (leave to withdraw), 737; accepted, 809.
- Petition relative to the exemption from civil service of certain officers of the, 164; report (leave to withdraw), 535; accepted, 562.
- Petition that compensation be granted the supervisors of elections for their services in the, on the day of the State election in 1889, 164; resolve reported, 537, 680, 740, 755; passed, 888.
- Petition of the mayor of the, for the appointment of a commission to consider what improvements are needed in the Charles River basin, parks, bridges, etc., 173; order (S.) relative to the appointment of a commission to consider the improvement of the Charles River basin, 239; petition in aid, 288; bill (S.) reported, 917, 999, 1059, 1067; enacted, 1110.
- Petition that the, may be authorized to borrow all the money for any current financial year before April 1 of that year, 173.
- Petition that twelve hours may be made the limit of a day's work for all employees in the fire department in the, 174; petitions in aid, 244, 323, 342, 589; report (leave to withdraw), 679, 696, 919, 996; accepted, 1005.
- Order relative to amending the charter of the, concerning the term of office and the appointing power of the mayor, the abolition of existing boards, officers and the creation of new offices, departments or bureaus, 177.
- Order relative to making of contracts for the lighting of streets in the, 178; report (S. inexpedient), 830; accepted, 840.
- Order relative to authorizing the, to determine the classes of property on which taxes for municipal expenses shall be assessed, 178; report (S. inexpedient), 830; accepted, 848.
- Order relative to abolishing the tax limit of the, 178; report (inexpedient) accepted, 488.
- Order relative to authorizing the, to fill in flats in the proposed reserved channel in lands of the Commonwealth in South Boston, 181; report (inexpedient), 434; accepted, 450.
- Sale of intoxicating liquors in. (See "Intoxicating Liquors.")
- Order (S.) relative to authorizing the, to borrow money for the completion of parks, 188; bill (S.) reported, 774, 788, 847; enacted, 887.
- Order (S.) relative to providing that all moneys received for dog licenses in the, shall be paid into the treasury of said city, 188; report (inexpedient), 801; accepted, 888.

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- Order relative to exempting brewers and wholesalers from the provisions of law relating to the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the, 181; report (inexpedient), 434; accepted, 451.
- Petition of the clerk of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the, for increase of salary, 196; report (leave to withdraw), 405; accepted, 419.
- Petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the, for increase of salary, 197; report (leave to withdraw), 406; accepted, 419.
- Petition relative to conferring upon the, power to attach terms and conditions to the grant of locations to the West End Street Railway, 197, 370; report (leave to withdraw), 812; accepted, 824.
- Order relative to transferring the duties now performed by the city clerk in relation to the conduct of elections in the, to the registrars of voters, 200; report (inexpedient), 518; accepted, 539.
- Order (S.) relative to the establishment of special voting districts in the, for the election of common councilmen, 206; report (inexpedient) accepted, 658.
- Order (S.) relative to authorizing the, to borrow money on a longer term than ten years, 206; bill (S.) reported, 870, 880, 901; enacted, 912.
- Order (S.) relative to increased facilities for public travel on ferries in the, 206; petition in aid, 173; report (inexpedient) accepted, 658.
- Order (S.) relative to providing that inspectors of milk, vinegar and provisions in the, be appointed by the board of health, 208; bill (S.), 609.
- Order (S.) relative to the exemption from the civil service of persons appointed as first assistants or deputies of departments of the, 209, 264; report (inexpedient), 517; accepted, 539.
- Petition (S.) of the clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the, for an increase of salary, 210; report (S. leave to withdraw) accepted, 369.
- Petition of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the, for an increase of salary, 210; report (S. leave to withdraw), 369; accepted, 399.
- Petition relative to pensioning members of the fire department in the, 214; bill reported, 813, 836, 894, 1114; enacted, 1123.
- Petition that the Old Colony Railroad Company be compelled to elevate certain tracks in the, 217; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 548, 581, 1000, 1020; accepted, 1052.
- Order relative to the number and term of office of trustees of the Boston Public Library, 220; report (inexpedient), 503; accepted, 521.
- Order relative to providing for the removal by the Governor of members of the board of police of the, 221; report (inexpedient), 801; accepted, 824.
- Order relative to abolishing the board of police of the, 221; report (inexpedient), 800; accepted, 879.
- Order relative to providing for a common administration of certain departments in the, and vicinity, 221.
- Order relative to providing for the election of aldermen-at-large in the, 221; report (inexpedient), 813; accepted, 824.
- Order relative to further legislation concerning Harvard bridge, 222; report (S. inexpedient), 829; accepted, 840.
- Order relative to the transfer of appropriations in the, 222; report (no legislation necessary), 811; accepted, 824.
- Order relative to the borrowing of money by the, 222; bill reported, 381, 400, 408; enacted, 459.

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Petition relative to the building of a bridge across the reserved channel on South Boston flats, 248, 299, 315, 329; committee of conference appointed, 344, 351; report, 617; bill (S.) reported, 746, 1041, 1066, 1085; enacted, 1100.

Petition concerning the Association for the Protection of Destitute Roman Catholic Children in Boston, 247; bill reported, 576, 601, 615; enacted, 887.

Marking of rocks, bars and places dangerous for yachts in Boston Harbor. (See "Boston Harbor.")

Order relative to codifying and arranging the building laws of the, 252, 264; rejected, 407.

Order relative to amending the law concerning the pensioning of members of the police department of the, 254; bill (S.), 1065, 1081, 1111; rejected, 1115.

Petition relative to the abolishment of the grade crossing on Causeway and Travers streets in the, 289; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 333.

Order relative to a more equitable distribution of licenses for the sale of liquors in the, 298; report (inexpedient), 434; accepted, 450.

Petition for legislation authorizing the construction of a sea wall and the extension of the Charles River embankment, 377; bill (reported) in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the, 760, 770, 870, 905, 911, 936; enacted, 966.

Order relative to legislation to prevent the, from borrowing money for current expenses, 403; bill (S.) reported, 619, 636, 674; enacted, 710.

Commission to promote rapid transit for the, and suburbs. (See "Elevated Railroads;" also "Rapid Transit.")

Petition of the school committee of the, that its superintendent and supervisors of schools may be elected in June instead of in March, 471; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 517.

Order relative to inquiring into the methods practised by the Harbor and Land Commissioners in the filling of South Boston flats, 501; notice of rejection by the Senate, 571.

Bill (on leave) relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in the, 647; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 719.

Bill (S.) to change the harbor lines and provide for the improvement of South Bay in the (reported, in part, in the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners), 718, 735, 824, 836; enacted, 837.

Bill (S. on leave) relating to fees to be paid in the district and municipal courts in the, 897, 939, 1020, 1068, 1086; enacted, 1110.

University Club. (See "University Club of Boston.")

Boston Elevated Railway. (See "Elevated Railroads.")

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Order relative to the marking of rocks, bars and places dangerous for yachts in and about, 248; report (inexpedient), 620; recommitted, 635; resolve reported, 785, 964, 993, 1005; passed, 1066.

Pilot commissioners for. (See "Pilot Commissioners.")

Boston Lying-in Hospital, Petition for a change of name of the, 403; bill (S.) reported, 472, 492; placed on file, 558.

Boston Provident Association, Petition of the, for authority to hold real and personal estate, 96; bill reported, 144, 161, 171; enacted, 285.

Boston Public Library. Order relative to providing for more members of the, 220; report (inexpedient), 603; accepted, 621.

Boston Real Estate and Auction Board, Petition of the, for leave to hold public sales, at their auction room, of real estate or personal property situated in any city or town within ten miles of Boston, 109; report (leave to withdraw), 271; accepted, 285.

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- Co-operative banking (see "Treasurer and Receiver-General"), Bill (on leave) for the further protection of the public in relation to the business of foreign, 956; bill (S.) reported, 1087, 1119, 1117; enacted, 1123.
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- Order relative to the liability of officers of, 81; report (inexpedient), 192; accepted, 211.
- Order relative to forbidding foreign, to do any kind of business in this State for which, are not now permitted to be organized under Massachusetts laws, 92.
- Order relative to requiring petitions for legislation by, to be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth a certain time before the same are introduced in the General Court, 104; report (reference to the next General Court), 576; accepted, 612.
- Order relative to compelling all foreign, other than railroads, to make some or all of the annual returns to the proper departments, 110; notice of rejection by the Senate, 158.
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- Order relative to extending the jurisdiction of the courts over foreign, 204; report (inexpedient), 550; accepted, 582.
- Order (S.) relative to the taxation of locations or other privileges granted to, 208; report (inexpedient), 718; accepted, 754.
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- Order relative to authorizing the commissioner of foreign mortgage, to change the names of, 290; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 325.
- Abstracts of certificates of, organized under the general law, 391; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 659.
- Second annual report of the commissioner of foreign mortgage, 391; bill (reported) in amendment of an act to provide for the supervision of foreign, engaged in selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, and in addition thereto, 660, 673, 699; recommitted, 706; bill reported, in part, 748, 778, 788; enacted, 864.
- Bill to amend chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to salaries in the office of commissioner of (reported on the annual report of the Tax Commissioner), 661, 802, 817, 825, 910; enacted, 939.
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Bill (S. reported, in part) relating to fees and expenses in proceedings before trial justices, 811, 824, 836, 847, 894; enacted, 912.

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Order relative to extending the jurisdiction of the, over foreign corporations, 204; report (inexpedient), 550; accepted, 582.

Order relative to the advancement of certain cases on the trial lists in, 205; report (inexpedient), 445; accepted, 459.

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Order relative to giving to police and district, original and concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court in actions of tort, contract and replevin, 237; report (inexpedient), 573; accepted, 598.

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- Denham, Hiram N., Petition of, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 148; resolve reported, 317, 346, 356, 364; passed, 450.
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- Disabled Sailors' Employment Bureau, Petition (S.) that a sum of money be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to the, 1107; resolve (S. reported) in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps, 1128, 1140; passed, 1141.
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East Norfolk district court. (See "Norfolk County.")

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Order relative to the use of money in, and in securing nominations to office, 31, 47; bill (reported) to secure the publication of election expenses (reported also on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the publication of election expenses), 694, 802, 832, 882, 889, 957, 996, 1021; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1108.

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Order relative to the election of aldermen in cities, 57; bill (S.) reported, 736, 763, 771; enacted, 816.

Order relative to amending the law concerning printing and distributing ballots for town, so that when a town has accepted the provisions of said act no change shall thereafter be made in the number and terms of officers, etc., 37, 46; order relative to amending the law relating to town, so as to have the same apply to all officers elected by towns, 37, 46; bill (reported) to amend an act to authorize the printing and distributing of ballots for town, at the public expense, 113, 126, 190, 212; enacted, 241.

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Order (S.) relative to providing more definitely the time for filing certificates of nomination papers, 87; orders relative to the filing of certificates of nominations, and the posting of lists of candidates in town, 151; bill (reported) defining how time shall be reckoned in the laws relating to, and concerning certificates of nomination and nomination papers, 301, 311, 319; enacted, 408.

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Order relative to providing for the appointment of two or more ballot clerks in town, 97; bill (S.) reported, 292, 303, 312; enacted, 355.

Order (S.) relative to the withdrawal of candidates nominated for town, 121; bill (S.) reported, 487, 509, 524; enacted, 581.

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Order relative to the preservation of the check-lists used in town meetings, 130; report (S. inexpedient), 618; accepted, 636.

Order relative to amending the law relating to, so as to make more certain the times within which requests for recounts must be filed; so as to extend the time within which such recounts must be had, 130; order relative to allowing city and town clerks in case of recounts of ballots cast at elections fifteen days instead of ten in which to transmit copies of votes, 130; order relative to amending the law concerning recounts of votes cast in, so as to further restrict the right to demand such recounts, 140; report (inexpedient), 551; accepted, 599.

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- Order relative to the appointment of tellers at, 150; report (Inexpedient), 576; accepted, 613.
- Order relative to making some provision to meet the case of ineligibility of candidates for office discovered after nomination, 152; order relative to providing further for the filling of vacancies upon the official ballot, 179; bill reported, 680, 698, 711; enacted, 787.
- Order (S.) relative to amending the law concerning nomination by caucus and nomination papers, so as to more clearly define the caucus at which such nominations shall be made, 157; report (Inexpedient), 352; recommitted, 372; report (reference to the next General Court), 592; accepted, 613.
- Order (S.) relative to providing for the nomination by caucus of candidates for city offices, 157; report (S. Inexpedient), 735; accepted, 754.
- Order relative to providing that election officers shall give no information of the state of the polls, 166; report (Inexpedient), 618; accepted, 636.
- Order relative to providing that the street voting-lists shall be so arranged as to show the age and occupation of all persons assessed, 166; bill reported, 577, 601, 627, 746; enacted, 787.
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- Order relative to providing for supervisors of, at State and municipal elections and their compensation, 179; bill reported, 634, 675, 708; enacted, 787.
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- Petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others for authority to build and operate an elevated railroad, to be called the Boston Elevated Railway, 27, 44; report (leave to withdraw), 446, 458, 904; accepted, 913.
- Petition of the Old South Society and others that the act authorizing the West End Street Railway Company to build, be so amended that said company shall not be permitted to proceed in building until a commission is appointed to examine and determine the best system of, for the city of Boston, and who shall report upon the same, 27, 53; bill (reported) to establish a commission to promote rapid transit for the city of Boston and its suburbs, 448, 760, 769, 888, 900; enacted, 1042.
- Petition of William B. Mack and others for an act of incorporation with authority to use the Mack or any other system of, in and around Boston, 29, 44; report (leave to withdraw), 446, 458, 904; accepted, 913.
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- Gloucester Water Supply Company, Petition for an amendment of the charter of the, 214, 279; bill (S.) reported, 432, 451, 461; enacted, 493.
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Harvard College, Petition for an amendment of the laws concerning voting for overseers of, 247; report (reference to the next General Court), 534; accepted, 560.

Harwich, Petition that the town of, be relieved from supporting Bass River upper and lower bridges, 261, 279; bill (S.) reported, 487, 509, 524; enacted, 560.

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- Order relative to restricting innholders' licenses and licenses of the first class to sell, 228; report (inexpedient), 434, 449; accepted, 513.
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- James Arnold Fund, Petition for incorporation as the trustees of the, 29, 52; bill reported, 302, 311, 319; enacted, 372.
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- Kilty, John T., Petition for an act to enable the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of, 78; bill (S.) reported, 307, 319, 329; enacted, 355.

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Muster-rolls of Massachusetts revolutionary troops. (See "Revolutionary Troops.")

Mystic River Corporation, Bill in further addition to an act relating to the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners), 670, 684, 699; enacted, 777.

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Nantasket Beach Railroad Company, Petition for legislation to permit savings banks to invest in the first mortgage bonds of the, 29, 42; report (leave to withdraw), 192; accepted, 211.

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Order relative to tax sales of certain lands on the island of, 205; report (inexpedient), 550; accepted, 582.

Petition for confirmation of the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of, 500, 549; bill reported, 577, 601, 637; enacted, 787.

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Petition that the list of jurors in, may include one to every thirty inhabitants, 109; bill reported, 271, 286, 294; enacted, 508.

Order relative to the taking of smelt in, 180; bill reported, 406, 420, 427, 429; enacted, 493.

Nantucket Street Railway Company, Petition that the, be authorized to carry on the business of a common carrier, 26, 44; bill (S.) reported, 291, 303, 311; enacted, 328.

National banks, Order relative to enabling, to reorganize as State banks or trust companies, 198; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 647.

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Order relative to reducing the fees hitherto paid to clerks of courts for the, of aliens, 68; bill reported, 577, 601, 666, 700; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1108.

Order relative to providing that jurisdiction of primary declarations of intention and final applications for, may be exercised by district, police and municipal courts having common law jurisdiction and a seal, 120; report (inexpedient), 573; accepted, 598.

Order relative to providing that inferior courts not having clerks appointed by the Governor shall not have the right to naturalize aliens, 236; order relative to amending the law relating to, so as to reduce or abolish the fees fixed thereby, 236; bill reported, 577, 601, 666, 700; new draft (S.), 1106, 1117, 1126, 1131; enacted, 1136.

Bill (S.) relating to primary declarations in, cases, 502, 578, 601, 627; enacted, 663.

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Order relative to the establishing a, at the port of Boston, and of making application to the Secretary of the Navy for the use of a suitable vessel with appliances for the use of such school, 92; bill reported, 694, 959, 967, 993, 1107; enacted, 1116.

Petition relative to securing from the United States government the grant of a vessel for the establishment of a, 158; resolve reported, 280; passed, 293.

Needham, Petition (S.) that the town of, be authorized to issue additional water bonds, 113, 125; bill reported, 292, 303, 311; enacted, 362.

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Petition for legislation conferring upon the board of public works of the, the care of shade trees, 485; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 532.

New Bedford Gas Light Company, Petition of the, for a change of name, 117; bill reported, 266, 273, 286; enacted, 336.

New Bedford Real Estate Association, Petition of the, for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans on mortgages upon real estate, 148; report (reference to the next General Court), 576; accepted, 599.

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Petition relative to the incorporation of a safe deposit and trust company in the. (See "North Essex Trust Company.")

Petition relative to rebuilding and extending the fender-pier of the Newburyport bridge, 219; bill reported, 564, 583, 615; enacted, 777.

Petition of the, for reimbursement of a part of the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge, 441; report (leave to withdraw), 784; accepted, 835.

New England Commercial Travellers' Association, Petition of the, for authority to hold a greater reserve fund, 215; bill reported, 456, 469, 478; enacted, 581.

New England Industrial School for Deaf-mutes, Petition (S.) of the trustees of the, for aid from the State, 169; resolve (S.) reported, 472, 505, 523, 541; passed, 597.

New England Society for the Suppression of Vice, Petition of the, for a change of name, 174; bill (S.) reported, 416, 429, 439; enacted, 459.

New Hampshire, report of the commissioners on the boundary line between, and Massachusetts, 305; resolve (S.) reported, 646, 705, 732, 755; passed, 778.

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Petition that the, be authorized to lay and maintain in its streets tracks and appliances for street railways, on which cars may be propelled by horses, electricity or otherwise, 28, 42. (See "Franchises.")

Petitions for the annexation of a part of the town of Watertown to the, 28, 44, 308; remonstrance against, 265; report (leave to withdraw), 456; accepted, 470.

Petition of the, relative to the apportionment of sewer assessments. (See "Sewer Assessments.")

Order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the police court of the, 100; report (S. inexpedient), 379; accepted, 399.

Petition of the, relative to temporary loans by cities and towns, 191. (For bill reported see "Municipal Indebtedness.")

Newton Street Railway Company, Petition of the, for authority to extend its road, 27, 44; bill (S.) reported, 517; referred to the next General Court, 559.

New York and Boston Inland Railroad, Petition (S.) of the directors of the, that the time within which it must complete the construction of its railroad be extended to June 1, 1895, 135; bill (S.) reported, 502, 540, 563; enacted, 612.

New York and Massachusetts Railway Company, Petition of the, for an extension of time within which to build its road in this State, 176; bill reported, 426, 433, 469; enacted, 560.

NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND RAILROAD COMPANY:

Petition for legislation to compel the, to build a station at Norwood Central, in the town of Norwood, 73; petition relative to the same, 331; bill reported, 610, 625, 637; enacted, 730.

Petition (S.) relative to the abandonment of the "Ironstone" station at South Uxbridge on the, 170; petitions in aid, 265; bill reported, 406, 420, 429, 493, 657; enacted, 697.

Nine Hundred Dollars, The Order of. (See "Order of Nine Hundred Dollars.")

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Order relative to increasing the salaries of the county commissioners of, 74; bill (S.) reported, 379, 400, 410; enacted, 428.

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Bill to establish the southern district court of Norfolk (reported, in part, on the report of the controller of county accounts), 681, 698, 711, 799; enacted, 839.

Normal Art School. (See "State Normal Art School.")

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North American Horse Insurance Company, Petition (S.) for incorporation as the, 209; report (leave to withdraw), 535; accepted, 561.

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Petition (S.) of the, for authority to issue sewer scrip, 169; report (leave to withdraw), 308; accepted, 318.

North Andover, Petition that the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of, be ratified and confirmed, 54; report (leave to withdraw), 105; accepted, 115.

North Easton village district, Petition (S.) of the, for authority to issue additional water bonds, 210; bill reported, 505, 523, 540; enacted, 662.

North Essex Trust Company, Petition for incorporation as a safe deposit and trust company in Newburyport, 194; report (leave to withdraw), 488, 507; recommended, 538; bill (reported) to incorporate the, 680, 698, 711; enacted, 787.

Norwell, Petition for authority to supply the town of Hanover and portions of the town of, with water, 27, 44; bill reported, 611, 625, 637, 1106; enacted, 1116.

Norwood Central, station at. (See "New York and New England Railroad Company.")

Notaries public, Bill (S.) to enlarge the jurisdiction of, 143, 284, 294, 304; enacted, 318.

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Obligations, issuing of certain. (See "Bond Investment Companies.")

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Offensive trades, Order relative to amending the law concerning, 184; report (S. inexpedient), 704; accepted, 731.

Official ballots, Orders relative to printing and distributing sample copies of the, 180; bill reported, 555, 705, 804; rejected, 890.

"Official Gazette." (See "Massachusetts Official Gazette.")

O'Herrin, Matthew, Petition for State aid for, 96; resolve reported, 273, 309, 319, 329; passed, 408.

Old Colony Ship Canal Company. (See "Cape Cod Ship Canal.")

Old Colony Railroad Company, Petition that the, be compelled to elevate certain tracks in Boston, 217; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 548, 581, 1000, 1020; accepted, 1052.

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Order (S.) relative to the protection of dairy products and the establishment of a State dairy commission, 167; petitions in aid, 323, 431, 440, 744; bill (S.) reported, 982, 1041, 1050, 1057, 1110, 1128; enacted, 1136.

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the coloring of, 282.

O'Neill, Mary E., Petition (S.) of, that she may be made eligible to receive State aid, 844; resolve (S.) reported, 1106, 1115, 1118, 1127; passed, 1130.

Onset Street Railway Company, Petition of the, for authority to consolidate with any other street railway company in Wareham, 149; bill reported, 578, 601, 665; enacted, 730.

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Petition of the town of, for authority to borrow money for the purpose of constructing a system of sewers, 73; bill reported, 192, 291; enacted, 302.

Petition that the town of, may be authorized to establish a system of water supply, 1019; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 1088.

Order of Nine Hundred Dollars, Petition of the, for a change of name to "The Golden Palm," 148; report (leave to withdraw), 316, 328; recommitted, 335; bill reported, 554, 626, 674; enacted, 762.

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Orleans, Petition for an act prohibiting the taking of bluefish and bass by gill-nets or seines in the inland waters of the town of, 163; remonstrance against, 260; report (leave to withdraw), 353; accepted, 363.

Ostrander, Mary C., Petition (S.) of, that she may be made eligible to receive State aid, 692; resolve (S.) reported, 838, 928, 940, 951; passed, 967.

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Order relative to providing for the filling of vacancies on boards of, 237; bill reported, 447, 461, 470; new draft (S.), 692, 720, 732, 815, 897; enacted, 930.

Bill to prevent false representations to, and the State Board of Lunacy and Charity (reported, in part, on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity), 537, 562, 628, 917; enacted, 939.

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Parishes, Order relative to the dissolution of, 37, 46; report (inexpedient), 445; accepted, 460.

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Resolve (S. on leave) providing for the printing of five hundred extra copies of the second report of the commissioner on public records of, 727, 768, 802, 817, 889; passed, 957.

Bill (S.) relating to paper for public records, 669, 738, 754, 771; enacted, 816.

Bill (S.) relating to the care and custody of town records, 692, 738, 754, 780, 788, 903; enacted, 930.

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the care and custody of town records, 282; report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 726.

Parker, Joseph A., Petition (S.) of, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 351; resolve (S.) reported, 445, 505, 523, 541; passed, 597.

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Order relative to amending section 6 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, concerning the support of, by inserting after the word "grandmother" the words "married or single," 96, 122; bill (reported) to amend chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to the support of, by cities and towns, 346, 356, 364; enacted, 436.

Order relative to amending section 26 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes, relative to expenses for the support of the sick State poor, by striking out the word "after," in the second line, and inserting in place thereof the words "within seven days next before," 99; bill reported, 317, 417, 428, 439; enacted, 539.

Order relative to amending section 32 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes, relating to expenses for the support of, in State lunatic hospitals, by providing that in no such case shall the place of settlement be liable for expenses incurred for more than three months, unless notice of settlement is given to such place within one year after admission of the lunatic to the hospital, 99; report (inexpedient), 371; accepted, 398.

Order relative to amending the law concerning admissions to the State almshouse, 98; bill (reported) to amend section 21 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes relating to the State almshouse and State, 317, 356, 364; enacted, 427.

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Petition relative to the same subject, 219; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 533.

Pay-roll, Order relative to making up the, for the compensation of members of the General Court, 1128; report submitting order and schedule, 1140.

PEABODY:

Petition that the town of, be authorized to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending a certain street, 79; report (leave to withdraw), 406; recommended, 420; bill reported, 554, 583, 615; enacted, 710.

Petition (S.) that the town of, may be authorized to manufacture and sell electric light, 169; bill reported, 737, 806; placed on file, 1109.

Pease, Isaac D., Petition that, may be made eligible to receive State aid, 369; resolve reported, 579, 594, 614, 627; passed, 730.

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Petitions relative to limiting the number of persons employed to make brushes in, 175, 376, 391, 402, 414, 441; bill (S. reported) relating to the employment of prisoners, 837, 893, 902, 1017; enacted, 1066.

PENNELL, LEMIRA C.:

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Petition (S.) of, for legislation to prevent the overcrowding of insane hospitals, 144; report (S. leave to withdraw), 416; accepted, 423.

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Pensions, Order relative to providing for clerical assistance for the State pension agent, 141; bill (reported) amending an act to expedite the settlement of claims for, 606, 537, 562, 584; enacted, 697.

Pentucket Savings Bank, Petition of George E. Elliott and others for the establishment of a savings bank, 162; bill (reported) to incorporate the, 345, 356, 364; enacted, 423.

Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, fifty-ninth annual report of the trustees of the, 66; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 433.

Perkins, Mary Elizabeth, Petition that, may be made eligible to receive State aid, 196; resolve (S.) reported, 472, 505, 523, 541; passed, 596.

Personal estate, Order relative to amending the law concerning the descent and distribution of property, 156; bill (reported) concerning the succession to the real and, of deceased persons, 680, 696, 751, 768; referred to the joint special committee on registration of land titles, 838.

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Order relative to providing that all taxes on, shall be collected by the State, 153; report (inexpedient), 489; accepted, 509.

Order relative to providing that the tax on, shall be a State tax instead of a local tax, 153; report (inexpedient), 489; accepted, 509.

Petition for legislation providing for true lists of, for taxation, 217; order relative to requiring persons bringing in lists of property to make oath to the same, 75; petitions in aid, 863, 903, 909; remonstrance against, 981; bill reported, 738, 752, 814, 861, 908, 913; referred to the next General Court, 1003, 1016, 1023.

Order relative to the recording of leases and conditional bills of sale of, 234; report (inexpedient), 394; accepted, 409.

Order relative to the right of joint owners of, 252; bill reported, 553, 625, 637, 937, 1032, 1036, 1073; enacted, 1089.

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the equalization of taxation, together with a communication from the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture relating to the failure to tax, 282; order relative to a more uniform and just enforcement of the laws relating to the assessment of taxes, 185; petitions that, may bear its just share of the burdens of taxation, 149, 164, 245, 269, 297, 324, 331, 377, 414, 431, 453, 485, 589, 656, 716, 724, 909; bill (reported) relating to the duty of assessors and the furnishing of blanks, 682, 738, 752, 814, 861, 908; referred to the next General Court, 1001, 1014.

Petersham Memorial Library, Petition (S.) for the incorporation of the, 169; bill reported, 309, 319, 329; enacted, 383.

PHARMACISTS:

Order relative to amending the law concerning the registering of, 230; report (inexpedient), 504; accepted, 522.

Petition that, may be allowed to make sales, except of liquor, whenever public necessity requires, 245; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 723.

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Fifth annual report of the board of registration in, 90; report (no legislation necessary), 292; accepted, 303.

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Bill (S. reported, in part) to amend an act to establish a board of registration in, 609, 623, 686, 695; referred to the next General Court, 911.

Resolve (S. reported) providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of, 632, 694, 740, 762; passed, 831.

Phippen, Joshua, Resolve (S. on leave) in favor of the widow of the late, 124, 170, 193, 212; passed, 293.

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Pilot Commissioners, so much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the, 282; bill (reported) to amend section 2 of chapter 70 of the Public Statutes relating to commissioners of pilots for the harbor of Boston, 693, 729, 802; rejected, 865.

Pinkerton detectives. (See "Police Officers.")

Pitman, Robert C., Resolve (S. on leave) in favor of the widow of the late, 502, 619, 637, 665; passed, 698.

Pittsfield, city of, Petition for an amendment of the charter of the, relative to the election of city engineer, 147; bill reported, 418, 428, 439; new draft (S.), 632, 673, 699; enacted, 730.

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PLYMOUTH COUNTY:

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Petition for an increase of salary of the register of probate and insolvency for, 102; report (leave to withdraw), 301; accepted, 311.

Order relative to increasing the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of, 202; bill reported, 519, 540, 563; enacted, 672.

Resolve (S. on leave) authorizing the payment, from the treasury of the county of Plymouth, of a sum of money to the widow of Francis M. Vaughan, 424, 532, 562, 584; passed, 624.

Plymouth County Railroad, Petition for a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in Marshfield, 28, 43; petitions in aid, 463; report (reference to the next General Court), 553, 580; accepted, 621.

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Order relative to giving district and, original and concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court in actions of tort, contract and replevin, 237; report (inexpedient), 573; accepted, 598.

Order relative to the issuing of trustee writs in, municipal and district courts, 251; report (inexpedient), 550; accepted, 582.

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Order relative to prohibiting the appointment of, as probation officers, 187; report (inexpedient), 326, 335, 427; accepted, 904.

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Order relative to the payment of, by political organizations, 200; bill reported, 680, 720, 765, 771, 806; notice of rejection by the Senate, 959.

Order relative to a more thorough assessment of, and registration of voters, 224; bill reported, 610, 625, 675, 707; enacted, 787.

Order relative to exemption from paying, of persons over seventy-two years of age in certain cases, 232; report (inexpedient), 518; accepted, 539.

Ponkapoag Indians, Petition of Lemuel Burr, of the, for an appropriation. (See "Burr, Lemuel.")

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Order relative to fees in poor debtor matters, 238, 404; report (inexpedient), 575; accepted, 598.

Order relative to entry fees in poor debtor matters, 238, 405; bill reported, 577, 601, 637; enacted, 887.

Order relative to the amount of recognizance required from, arrested on means process, 251, 405; bill reported, 576, 601, 615; enacted, 816.

Bill (S.) relative to affidavits in poor debtor cases, 897, 1109, 1117, 1118; enacted, 1130.

Pope, Albert A., Petition of, and others for incorporation as a loan, trust and safe deposit company. (See "Winthrop Loan and Trust Company.")

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Poultry societies, Petition (S. taken from the files of last year) for legislation for the relief and encouragement of, 57; report (leave to withdraw), 308; accepted, 318.

Practice and pleading in the district court of Hampshire. (See "Hampshire County.")

Pratt, Nathan D., Petition for confirmation of the acts of, as a justice of the peace, 150; resolve reported, 504, 523, 540; passed, 697.

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President of the Senate, Order (S.) relative to adding the, and speaker of the House, to the joint special committee on a general municipal law, 1139.

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Petitions relative to limiting the number of persons employed in penal institutions in making brushes, 175, 376, 391, 402, 414, 441; bill (S. reported) relating to the employment of, 837, 895, 902, 1017; enacted, 1066.

Order relative to forbidding the employment of, outside the prison enclosure or yard, 184; bill reported, 536, 601, 627; enacted, 710.

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the employment and compensation of, 281; bills (S.) reported:

To provide for the use of machinery in the State Prison, reformatories and houses of correction, 609, 670, 684, 722; enacted, 763.

To authorize the grading and classifying of, in the State Prison (reported also, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, and on the report of the general superintendent of prisons), 774, 862, 929, 1033; enacted, 1065.

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to labor in penal, correctional and reformatory institutions, 281; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 658.

Order (S.) relative to legislation concerning the disposition of wages earned by, 1040. (See "Criminal Cases.")

PRISONS: (See "Prisoners.")

Order relative to providing that no persons convicted of crime, and serving sentences in, shall be employed outside of the prison yard or enclosure, 184; bill reported, 536, 601, 627; enacted, 710.

Order relative to the term of office of the superintendent of, 229; report (inexpedient), 425; accepted, 437.

Twentieth annual report of the commissioners of, 296; bills reported:

Relating to sentences of prisoners in the Massachusetts Reformatory, 536, 583, 627; enacted, 710.

To punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the State Prison, 536, 562, 628, 800, 817; enacted, 839.

To provide for the return of prison expenses, 536, 562, 584; enacted, 662.

To authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the State Prison at Boston, 632, 670, 684, 699; enacted, 730.

Resolves reported:

In favor of the Reformatory Prison for Women, 334, 418; rejected, 429.

To provide for certain repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory, 537, 781, 804, 817; passed, 913.

Bill (S. reported) authorizing the warden of the State Prison to appoint and remove certain officers (reported also, in part, on the message from the Governor concerning the management of the State Prison), 783, 890, 944, 965, 983; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1031.

Report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 726.

Annual report of the general superintendent of, 330. (See "Prisoners.")

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Probate accounts, Order relative to further legislation concerning the auditing of, 155; bill reported, 680, 733; rejected, 741.

PROBATE COURTS:

Order relative to giving to, equity jurisdiction in all matters relating to the administration of estates of deceased persons, 156; bill reported, 693, 729, 773, 780, 888; enacted, 1136.

Order relative to permanent court auditors for the supreme, superior and, 181; report (inexpedient), 381; accepted, 398.

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Order relative to authorizing the county commissioners of each county, except Suffolk, to cause to be rearranged and indexed the files and records of, 187; bill reported, 536, 583, 602; enacted, 762.

Order relative to the support of minor children in cases where parents fail to furnish support, 359, 393; bill reported, 553, 584, 602, 858, 918, 931, 940; enacted, 960.

Probate records. (See "Probate Courts.")

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Order relative to making the appointment of, mandatory in cities, and prohibiting the appointment of police officers as, 187; report (inexpedient), 326, 335, 427; accepted, 904.

Bill (taken from the Senate files of last year) to provide for the appointment of, 360; so much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the enforcement of the probation law and the establishment of an asylum for insane criminals, 281; bill (S. reported) to provide for the appointment of, 548, 694, 729, 761, 769, 845, 864, 871, 912, 963; enacted, 1017.

Report no further legislation necessary on so much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the enforcement of the law relating to, accepted, 658.

Procedure by and before boards and commissions. (See "Boards and Commissions.")

PROPERTY:

Uniformity in legislation relating to marriage and divorce and the descent and distribution of. (See "Marriage and Divorce.")

Order relative to altering, revising and codifying the laws relating to the descent of, 156; bill (reported) concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons, 680, 696, 751, 768; referred to the joint special committee on registration of land titles, 838.

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Resolution relative to the, 744; notice of rejection by the Senate, 928.

Order relative to instructing the committee on Rules to report when the Legislature can be prorogued, 1077; resolution reported and adopted, 1099.

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Providence and Springfield Railroad Company, Petition (S.) of the, for authority to extend its road into Massachusetts, 956; bill (S.) reported, 1049, 1066, 1085; enacted, 1100.

Province Laws, report of the commissioners for completing the preparation and publication of the, 101; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 570.

Provisions, Order (S.) for legislation concerning the sale of any tainted, diseased, corrupted, decayed or unwholesome meats, vegetables, produce, fruit or, 516, 531, 555; order (S.) relative to the same subject, 516, 530, 555.

Public bars (see "Intoxicating Liquors"), Order (S.) relative to amending the law concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors so as to allow the delivery of liquor from a counter or structure adapted to the purpose, 57; bill (S.) reported, 704, 720, 765, 764; laid aside, 789.

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Order relative to providing fire-escapes for, 230; report (inexpedient), 474; accepted, 494.

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- Order relative to reducing the number of the series of, and of reducing the number printed of any particular document, 110; bill (S. reported) providing for the printing and distribution of statistics of manufactures, 548, 620, 636, 665; enacted, 697.
- Order relative to providing what reports, if any, should be added to the series of, 167; bill (S.) reported, 669, 739, 778, 805; enacted, 840.
- Public health, Order relative to the time, manner and form of giving notice of disease dangerous to, 184; bill reported, 519, 640, 585; enacted, 662.
- Public justice, offences against. (See "Bribery.")
- Public Library Commissioners, first report of the free, of Massachusetts, 146, 301; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 352.
- Public moneys, deposit of, in trust companies. (See "Trust Companies.")
- Public officers, procedure by and before. (See "Boards and Commissions.")
- Public records, Bill (S.) relating to paper for, 669, 738, 764, 771; enacted, 816.
- Public reservations, Bill (S.) to incorporate the trustees of, 897, 918, 931, 940; enacted, 960.
- Public schools. (See "Schools.")
- Public Statutes (see "General Statutes"), Order relative to the distribution of the supplement to the, 103; order relative to the same, 132; resolve (S.) reported, 532, 620, 664, 699; passed, 721.
- Public water supplies. (See "Water Supplies.")
- Purses, offering of, by associations for breeding of domestic animals. (See "Domestic Animals.")

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- Quail. (See "Woodcock, Partridge and Quail.")
- Quarter-mill tax for the support of public schools. (See "Schools.")
- QUINCY CITY OF:
 - Petition for an act to authorize the, to adopt a system of sewerage and to provide for the payment thereof, 52; bill reported, 577, 601, 665; enacted, 739.
 - Petition (taken from the files of last year) of the, for the passage of an act to allow said city to supply itself with water, 114; bill reported, 845, 863, 1020, 1036, 1067, 1082; enacted, 1123.
 - Petition for an amendment of the charter of the, 214; bill reported, 533, 583, 602; new draft (S.), 678, 711, 722; enacted, 762.
- Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company, Petition for incorporation as the, 702; bill reported, 845, 864, 938; enacted, 966.

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- Rabbis, granting of certificates of divorce by. (See "Divorce.")
- RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS:
 - Annual report of the, 279; bills reported:
 - To promote the abolition of grade crossings, 634, 673, 711; enacted, 787.
 - To prevent accidents to trespassers on railroad tracks, 649, 676; rejected, 684.
 - Bill (S. reported) to regulate the heating of passenger cars on railroads, 678, 711, 722; enacted, 763.
 - So much of the annual report of the, as relates to street railways, 647; bill (S. reported) repealing the law relating to fenders and guards on street railway cars, 956, 961, 1032; enacted, 1058.

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Report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 799.

Order relative to instructing the, to investigate the subject of depot facilities on railroads, 757, 767; notice of rejection by the Senate, 800.

Bill (on leave) to provide for the annual election of a board of, 95, 334; referred to the next General Court, 348.

Order relative to authorizing the board of, to forbid or regulate the making up or shifting in the night-time of freight trains, and to regulate the sounding of whistles on locomotives of railroad companies in their freight yards, 100; bill reported, 578, 601, 627; enacted, 710.

Order relative to authorizing the, to regulate the sounding of locomotive whistles for the purpose of calling flagmen, 276; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 308.

Order relative to the pensioning of railroad employees, 132; resolve (reported) authorizing the board of, to make inquiry into the subject of pensioning railroad employees injured in the discharge of their duty, 554, 584, 602, 628, 669, 684; passed, 730.

RAILROAD COMPANIES: (See "Railroads.")

Furnishing of passes by. (See "Railroad Passes.")

Petition for legislation requiring, to keep their grade crossings covered with snow during the period of sleighing, 175; report (S. leave to withdraw), 501; accepted, 522.

Railroad corporations, Order relative to the sale at public auction of the capital stock of, 100; report (inexpedient), 435, 449; bill substituted, 495, 507, 520, 603, 638; rejected, 642, 650, 653.

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Order relative to the pensioning of, 132; resolve reported, 554, 584, 602, 628, 669; passed, 730.

Order relative to the employment of, on Sunday, 228; report (inexpedient), 535; accepted, 561.

RAILROAD PASSES:

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Order relative to preventing railroad or sleeping-car companies from letting down upper berths in sleeping-cars when not in use, 81; bill reported, 426, 433, 449, 492, 649, 695, 805; rejected, 842.

Order relative to providing that the consent of the directors of, shall not be necessary when a change in the grade of a railroad is desired, 82; report (S. inexpedient), 758, 777; accepted, 956.

Petition (S.) relative to providing that a change in the grade of a railroad may be made without the consent of the directors, 83; report (S. leave to withdraw), 758, 777; referred to the next General Court, 957.

Making up of freight trains and sounding of locomotive whistles in freight yards. (See "Railroad Commissioners.")

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RAILROADS — Concluded.

Hours of labor of employees of. (See "Railroad Employees.")

Order relative to preventing the making up of trains on grade crossings, 104; report (inexpedient), 446; accepted, 460.

Order (S.) relative to compelling railroad companies to maintain safe crossings where such are necessary to enable owners to reach and use their land, 112; report (S. inexpedient), 869, 944, 951; bill substituted, 1008, 1059, 1073; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 1122.

Order relative to compelling all railroad corporations to keep flagmen at grade crossings on, 132; report (no legislation necessary), 456; accepted, 419.

Order relative to compelling the sounding of a whistle whenever a train is approaching a highway over which it is to pass, 132; bill reported, 406, 420, 429; enacted, 493.

Petition that the law relating to grade crossings may be so amended as to provide for those crossings where more than one railroad crosses a public way at the same crossing, 109; order relative to providing that when the altering or discontinuing of, affects two or more railroads instead of one, the proportionate cost thereof, which each of said railroads shall pay, may be determined, 133; bill (S.) reported, 278, 294, 304; enacted, 318.

Petition for legislation to require railroad companies to keep their grade crossings covered with snow during the period of sleighing, 175; report (S. leave to withdraw), 501; accepted, 522.

Order relative to making single trip tickets the same price as coupon tickets on all, 184; report (inexpedient), 504; accepted, 522.

Order (S.) relative to amending the law concerning grade crossings so that it shall provide for the collection of damages, for discontinuance of a way, by the abutters thereon, 190; bill (S.) reported, 454, 469, 478; enacted, 508.

Rates for the transportation of milk on. (See "Milk.")

Order relative to regulating the number of brakemen on freight trains, 230; report (inexpedient), 552, 580, 1010, 1038; resolve substituted, 1053; passed, 1110.

Order relative to the adoption of the "Zone system," so called, of passenger fares on, 231; resolve reported, 554, 584, 602; passed, 672.

Bill (on leave) relating to the transportation of members of the General Court, 243; referred to the next General Court, 1010.

Order relative to providing that a decision involving a change of grade on a railroad may be made by the Railroad Commissioners without the consent of the directors of the company, 262; report (S. inexpedient), 736, 753; bill substituted, 841, 847, 889, 898, 919; rejected, 941, 948.

Order relative to providing that when grades are separated and a public way crosses a railroad by an overhead bridge the expense of maintaining said bridge shall be borne by the railroad company, 263, 302; report (inexpedient), 593; accepted, 614.

Automatic couplers and brakes on freight cars. (See "Freight Cars.")

Bill to promote the abolition of grade crossings (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners), 634, 673, 711; enacted, 787.

Bill to prevent accidents to trespassers on railroad tracks (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners), 649, 676; rejected, 684.

Bill (S.) to regulate the heating of passenger cars on (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners), 678, 711, 722; enacted, 763.

Resolution (S.) for the promotion of greater harmony in the laws of the United States and of the several States relating to, 746; adopted, 780.

Petition for legislation concerning mileage tickets on, 903; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 927.

Randolph, Petition that the town of, be authorized to pay bounties to James Halpin and Michael Lynch, 261; bill reported, 426, 438, 452; enacted, 581.

Rapid transit, Petition of the Old South Society that the West End Street Railway Company shall not proceed to build elevated railroads until a commission is appointed to examine and determine the best system of elevated railroads for the city of Boston, 27, 53; bill (reported) to establish a commission to promote, for the city of Boston and its suburbs, 448, 760, 769, 888, 900; enacted, 1042.

Reading, Petition for an act to incorporate a savings bank in the town of, 37, 51; bill (reported) to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank of, 353, 372, 401; enacted, 459.

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Order relative to enabling persons to convey, although disseized, 154; bill reported, 553, 625, 665; enacted, 966.

Petition that attachments shall not be made upon, until after judgment, 177; report (leave to withdraw), 455, 466; referred to the next General Court, 563.

Order relative to limiting the time for which attachments shall be a lien on, 186; report (inexpedient), 551; accepted, 582.

Order relative to the redemption of, sold for non-payment of taxes, 233; bill (reported) to prevent excessive charges in the redemption of tax titles, 577, 601, 615, 784; enacted, 831.

Order relative to amending the law concerning the descent and distribution of property, 156; bill (reported) concerning the succession to the real and personal estate of deceased persons, 680, 696, 751, 768; referred to the joint special committee on registration of land titles, 838.

Real Estate and Auction Board of Boston. (See "Boston Real Estate and Auction Board.")

Recognizances in poor debtor matters. (See "Poor Debtors.")

Recounts of votes cast at elections. (See "Elections.")

Redivision of the Commonwealth into congressional districts. (See "Congressional Districts.")

Reed, William Gardner, Petition of, for confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace, 463, 487; resolve reported, 504, 523, 540; passed, 697.

REFORMATORY PRISON FOR WOMEN:

Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the, 41; report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 726.

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to providing elsewhere for certain classes of women now detained in the, 282; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 370.

Resolve in favor of the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons), 334, 418; rejected, 429.

Regimental and battalion State officers, Petition that, may have the rank of captain, 196; report (S. leave to withdraw), 464; accepted, 477.

Regimental histories, Bill (S. taken from the files of last year) to provide for the purchase and distribution of, 190, 466, 476, 621, 858, 918, 1053, 1059, 1076; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1135.

Registers of deeds, abstract of the returns of, 36; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 533.

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Order relative to determining the size of plans left for record in the several, 205; report (inexpedient), 551; accepted, 581.

- Reinsurance. (See "Insurance.")
- Religious worship, taxation of houses of. (See "Taxation.")
- Replevin, jurisdiction in actions of. (See "Police Courts.")
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- Representatives in the General Court, number of votes for. (See "Secretary of the Commonwealth.")
- Reserve College of Physicians and Surgeons, Petition for incorporation as the, 485; notice of reference to next General Court by the Senate, 532.
- Reservoirs and dams, Petition of the county commissioners of Berkshire County for an act requiring the examination of, 515; bill reported, 720, 731, 804; enacted, 886.
- Revere Co-operative Bank, Bill to dissolve the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks), 361, 373, 400; enacted, 459.
- Revolutionary troops, Order relative to the publication, as a public document, of the muster-rolls of the Massachusetts, 119; resolve reported, 579, 739, 754, 776, 828, 937, 964, 993, 1005; passed, 1032.
- Rewards, Order relative to providing for a joinder in one action by different claimants for, 235; report (inexpedient), 361; accepted, 372.
- Richmond, Petition for legislation to ratify the election of the board of library trustees of the town of, 843, 870; bill reported, 918, 929; enacted, 1109.
- Ripley, Horace A., bounty to. (See "East Bridgewater.")
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- ROADS AND BRIDGES:**
- Order relative to the appointment of a commissioner of highways and bridges for the inspection and supervision of, 119; order relative to the establishment of a State board of road engineers, 250; report (inexpedient), 801; accepted, 816.
- Order relative to requesting the Secretary of the Commonwealth to tabulate the statistics relating to, 253; withdrawn, 263.
- Robbins, Joshua C., Petition of, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 289; resolve reported, 382, 396, 410, 421; passed, 508.
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- Roman Catholic Children in Boston, Association for the Protection of Destitute. (See "Boston, City of.")
- Ross, Fanny, Petition (S.) of, for the renewal of an annuity, 191; resolve (S.) reported, 404, 475, 495, 510; passed, 539.
- Roxbury Trust Company, Petition for incorporation as the, 1031; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 1049.
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- House rules reported, 114, 125; adopted, 145.
- Order (S.) relative to preparing joint, 8; report (S.), 134; accepted, 145.
- Order relative to printing a bulletin of committee hearings, 9; resolve (S.) reported, 15; passed, 50.
- Order relative to the disposition of the several portions of the Governor's address, 15; report accepted, 33.
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Safe deposit and trust companies. (See "Trust Companies.")

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Salem Building Association, Petition of the, for authority to issue preferred stock, 196; bill reported, 346, 356, 364; enacted, 427.

SALEM, CITY OF:

Petition that the board of aldermen of the, be authorized to remove poles from the highways and streets of said city, 37, 43; bill reported, 784, 815, 846; rejected, 908, 911.

Petition that the board of aldermen of the, be authorized to license conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars, 71; bill (reported) to provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in cities, 334, 347, 357, 362; new draft (S.), 444, 461, 470; enacted, 508.

Petition of the proprietors of the First Universalist Meeting-house of Salem for authority to hold additional property, 148; bill reported, 272, 286, 294; enacted, 355.

State Normal School at Salem. (See "State Normal School at Salem.")

Protection of the fisheries in Forest River, Salem Harbor. (See "Forest River.")

Petition for authority for the city of, and the town of Beverly to take land to preserve their water supply, 246; bill (S.) reported, 759, 770, 779; enacted, 831.

Petition that the town of Peabody be authorized to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending a certain street, 79; report (leave to withdraw), 406; recommitted, 420; bill (reported) to provide for the apportionment of the expense of constructing a certain highway in the, and town of Peabody, 554, 583, 615; enacted, 710.

Salisbury, Petition of the selectmen of, and Amesbury for reimbursement for rebuilding Newburyport bridge, 217; report (leave to withdraw), 784; recommitted, 815; report (reference to the next General Court), 1078; bill (substituted) relating to the expense of rebuilding Newburyport bridge, 1100, 1109; enacted, 1129.

Sanborn, F. B., Petition of, for compensation and reimbursement for services rendered the State as inspector of public charities, 72; report (leave to withdraw), 465; accepted, 476.

Sandwich, Shawme Co-operative Bank in. (See "Shawme Co-operative Bank.")

Sanitary provisions and ventilation. (See "School-houses.")

Saturday half-holiday, Order relative to providing a, for women and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, 38, 47; report (inexpedient), 648; accepted, 664.

Saugus, Petition (S.) that the town of, be authorized to appropriate a sum of money to defray the expenses of the dedication of the soldiers' monument in said town, 549; bill (S.) reported, 844; enacted, 864.

Savings Bank Commissioners. (See "Savings Banks.")

SAVINGS BANKS: (See "National Banks;" also "Co-operative Banking.")

Petition for legislation to permit, to invest in the first mortgage bonds of the Nantasket Beach Railroad Company, 29, 42; report (leave to withdraw), 192; accepted, 211.

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Fifteenth annual report of the board of commissioners of, 90, 137; bills reported:

To dissolve the Revere Co-operative Bank, 361, 373, 400; enacted, 459.

To dissolve the Canadian Co-operative Bank in the city of Lowell, 361, 373, 400; enacted, 459.

To dissolve the Shawme Co-operative Bank in the town of Sandwich, 361, 373, 400; enacted, 459.

Report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 678.

Report (reference to the next General Court) on so much of the report of the commissioners of, as relates to mortgage loan companies, accepted, 380.

Order relative to establishing the salary of the second clerk in the office of the board of commissioners of, 92; bill reported, 427, 549, 621; rejected, 638.

Order relative to requesting the commissioners of, to report to the House of Representatives information as to whether there has been any falling off in savings bank deposits in this State since Oct. 31, 1890, as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year, 128; communication received, 173; communication ordered printed, 288.

Petition for a law providing for the refunding of taxes unlawfully collected of, and savings institutions during the years 1887 and 1888, and paid without formal protest, 138; bill reported, 354, 447, 461, 469; enacted, 612.

Order relative to making all persons who have been insolvent or bankrupt ineligible as trustees of, or directors of trust companies, 177; report (S. inexpedient), 531; accepted, 562.

Petition for legislation to allow deposits in, to be placed on interest monthly, 194; report (leave to withdraw), 575, 596, 904, 1009; bill substituted, 1018, 1063; rejected, 1074, 1098.

Order relative to more explicit return of the occupation of depositors in, 229; bill reported, 579, 738, 803; rejected, 864.

Scannell, Jeremiah J., Petition of, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 117; resolve (S.) reported, 404, 505, 523, 541; passed, 598.

School age. (See "Schools.")

School fund. (See "Massachusetts School Fund.")

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Order relative to the adoption of an electric fire alarm system in, and the introduction of a fire-drill to be practised in the schools, 73; report (inexpedient), 316; accepted, 328.

Order relative to the weekly payment of wages of janitors of, 103; report (S. inexpedient), 570; accepted, 599.

Order (S.) relative to amending the law concerning the sanitary regulation of public buildings and, by transferring the authority to enforce such regulations from the district police to the local boards of health, 103, 230; report (inexpedient), 405, 418, 462, 484; bill substituted, 495, 520, 566, 595, 662, 700, 711; enacted, 777.

SCHOOLS:

Order relative to the adoption of an electric fire alarm system in all school buildings and the introduction of a fire-drill to be practised in the, 73; report (inexpedient), 316; accepted, 328.

Order relative to the introduction of industrial training into the public, 103; report (inexpedient), 518; accepted, 582.

Petition to allow the attendance of unvaccinated children in the public, 117; report (leave to withdraw), 660; accepted, 673.

Order relative to amending the law concerning the attendance of children in the, in cities and towns where the parents or guardians of such children do not reside, 140, 393.

SCHOOLS — *Concluded.*

Petition (S.) that the age for compulsory attendance in the, may be raised, and providing for the establishment of a system of industrial education in certain cases, 169; bill (reported) raising the compulsory school age to fifteen years, 693, 720, 788, 834; enacted, 992.

Order relative to providing that free text-books and school supplies shall be supplied by the State, 179; bill reported, 555, 706; rejected, 723.

Order relative to the examination and certification of teachers in the, by State authority, 199; bill reported, 447, 748, 809, 818; rejected, 842, 846.

Order relative to the appointment of persons to examine the school systems and methods of instruction in other States, or beyond their limits, 199; report (inexpedient), 370; accepted, 398.

Order relative to providing that teachers employed in the, of the towns shall be examined by the State Board of Education, 199; report (inexpedient), 551; accepted, 582.

Order relative to providing that in towns which are not obliged and do not maintain high, parents may obtain and secure to children tuition in, of other cities or towns, 199; bill (reported) relating to the payment for tuition by certain towns, 680, 698, 711; enacted, 787.

Order relative to authorizing school committees to grant certificates of qualification to persons holding State normal school diplomas, without examination, 223; bill (S.) reported, 487, 509, 540; enacted, 581.

Order relative to the gift of school books to pupils in the public, of towns, 223; report (inexpedient), 371; accepted, 398.

Order relative to the weekly payment of wages to teachers in the, 223; bill reported, 353, 363, 400; enacted, 459.

Order relative to a quarter-mill tax for the benefit and support of public, 248, 345.

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for a modification of the compulsory school age, requiring attendance throughout the school year, and providing for manual training, 359; report (leave to withdraw), 633; accepted, 663.

Order relative to the weekly payment of wages of janitors of school-houses, 103; report (S. inexpedient), 570; accepted, 599.

So much of the Governor's address as relates to education, 34; resolve (reported, in part) to provide for an investigation of the subject of manual training and industrial education, 594, 946, 961, 967, 1078; passed, 1101; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 619.

School ship, establishment of a, at Boston. (See "Nautical School.")

School superintendents, Bill (on leave) in addition to an act to aid small towns to provide themselves with, 528, 634, 670, 683, 698; enacted, 816.

School systems, examination of the, of the several States. (See "Schools.")

School tax, so much of the Governor's address relating to education as refers to the, 502; report (reference to the next General Court), 679, 707, 715; accepted, 723.

SCHOOL TEACHERS:

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Order relative to the weekly payment of wages to, 223; bill reported, 353, 363, 400; enacted, 459.

Scituate, Petition (S.) that the town of, be authorized to pay certain bounties, 299; petitions in aid, 332; resolve reported, 506, 959, 1018, 1032; passed, 1137; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1142.

Scottish Clans, Bill (on leave) to authorize the order of, to hold its meetings outside the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 1120; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 1139.

Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Petition that the, may be authorized to hold additional real and personal estate, 148; bill reported, 309, 319, 329; enacted, 383.

Sealer of weights and measures. (See "Weights and Measures.")

Seamen, Order relative to the protection of, against impositions practised by boarding-house keepers and others, 187; report (reference to the next General Court), 574; accepted, 612.

Sears, James H., Petition (S.) of, that he may be made eligible to receive State or military aid, 404; resolve reported, 594, 620, 636, 665; passed, 763.

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Votes for, committee on returns of, appointed, 8; report (S.) of, accepted, 11; notified of election, 15.

Order requesting the, to obtain and furnish to the House the vote for representatives in the several representative districts, 38; communication received, 313.

Order instructing the, to inform the House what fees, if any, are charged in his office, the amount of fees so received each year, for the past three years, and whether such fees have been paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth, 66; communication received, 77.

Order directing the, to furnish the House the total number of registered male voters, and the total number of ballots cast in each voting precinct of the Commonwealth on the fourth day of November, 1890, 66.

First annual report of the number of polls assessed and number of registered voters at the last annual State, city and town elections, 77, 490; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 550.

Order relative to requesting the, to tabulate the statistics relating to roads and bridges, 253; withdrawn, 263.

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the correction of mistakes in the marking and delivery of ballots, 281; report (no legislation necessary), 534; accepted, 561.

Bill (on leave) to establish the salaries of the first and second clerks in the office of the, 1098, 1114; enacted, 1136.

Security Live Stock Insurance Company, Petition for incorporation for a live stock insurance company, 174; bill (reported) to incorporate the, 554, 600, 627; enacted, 710.

Seines, use of, and gill-nets. (See "Wellfleet.")

Selectmen, equal representation in the election of, in towns. (See "Towns.")

SENATE:

Message received announcing the organization of the, 4; notified of the organization of the House, 6.

Message received announcing the election on the part of the, of Sergeant-at-Arms, 6; notified of election of Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House, 7.

Quorum of the, and House of Representatives. (See "Constitutional Amendments.")

Resolve (on leave) in favor of the messengers and pages of the, and House of Representatives, 1133; passed, 1141.

President of the, added to the joint special committee on general municipal law, 1139.

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Message received announcing the election of, on the part of the Senate, 6; elected on the part of the House, 7; Senate notified, 7; notified of his election, 8.

Order relative to instructing the, to make monthly reports of expenses of committees, 88; reports, 367, 668, 878, 1077.

Resolution of thanks to the, 1149.

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Petition of James D. Doherty for a recount of the votes in the. (See "Contested Elections.")

- Sewerage and sewage disposal, so much of the report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage as relates to, 88; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 872.
- Sewer assessments, Order (S.) relative to providing that, and sidewalk assessments may be apportioned into more than three and not more than ten equal parts, 83; petition (S.) of the city of Newton relative to the same subject, 82; bill (S.) reported, 416, 428, 439; enacted, 459.
- Shade trees on highways. (See "Trees.")
- Shawme Savings Bank, Bill to dissolve the, in the town of Sandwich (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks), 361, 373, 400; enacted, 459.
- Sheep, damage to, by dogs. (See "Dogs.")
- Sheriffs, abstract of the returns of, 36; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 533.
- Sherman, William T., Resolutions on the death of, 295; acknowledgment of receipt of resolutions, 367.
- Shows, licensing of, by officers of agricultural societies. (See "Agricultural Societies.")
- Sidewalk assessments, Order (S.) relative to providing that sewer and, may be apportioned into more than three and not more than ten equal parts, 82. (See "Sewer Assessments.")
- Silver, Resolutions in favor of the maintenance of the bi-metallic standard of value, and against the debasement of the currency through the free coinage of, 19, 60; resolution in favor of honest money substituted and adopted, 62, 64.
- Sinking funds, Bill (S.) relating to the, of the Commonwealth (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General), 718, 732, 740; enacted, 763.
- Slabs, ordinances governing the sale of. (See "Wood.")
- Sleeping-car companies, Order relative to preventing, from letting down upper berths in their sleeping-cars when not in use, 81; bill reported, 423, 438, 449, 492, 649, 695, 805; rejected, 842.
- Smelt, taking of, in Nantucket County. (See "Nantucket County.")
- Smith, Bridget, Petition of, for State aid, 260; report (leave to withdraw), 504; accepted, 522.
- Smith College, Petition (S.) of the, for authority to hold additional real and personal estate, 124; bill (S.) reported, 315, 328, 338; enacted, 355.
- SOLDIERS AND SAILORS:**
- Petition (S.) that all honorably discharged, who served in the late rebellion shall be exempt from certain taxes, 58; report (S. leave to withdraw), 571; accepted, 600.
- Order (S.) relative to providing that no honorably discharged, if otherwise qualified to vote, shall be disqualified therefor on account of receiving or having received aid from any city or town, 122. (For bill reported see "Elections.")
- Bill (on leave) relating to the preferment of honorably discharged, in appointment to civil office, 145; rejected, 503.
- Order relative to the decoration of the graves of, on Memorial day by municipalities where there is no active organization of a post of the Grand Army, 201; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 618, 635, 695, 785, 832, 886; bill substituted, 932; notice of rejection by the Senate, 963.
- Order relative to amending the law concerning relief to, and widows and minor children of, so that the choice of an attending physician may be made by the beneficiary, 254; report (S. inexpedient), 590; accepted, 614.
- Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, Petition (S.) for an appropriation for the, 83; resolve (S.) reported, 158, 309, 319, 329; passed, 355.
- Soldiers' messenger corps, Petition (S.) that a sum of money be paid out of the State treasury to the disabled sailors' employment bureau, 1107; resolve (S.) in favor of the, 1128, 1140; passed, 1141.

SOMERVILLE, CITY OF:

- Petition (S.) relative to defining the boundary line between Boston and the, 158; petition in aid, 313; bill reported, 747, 763, 770; enacted, 840.
- Petition that the salary of the standing justice of the police court of the, may be increased, 164; bill reported, 426, 438, 462; enacted, 538.
- Petition relative to authorizing the, to take land for a public park, 724; bill (S.) reported, 823, 836, 841; enacted, 887.
- Somerville Trust Company, Petition for an act of incorporation as the, 766; bill (S.) reported, 883, 902, 905; enacted, 930.
- Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps, Order relative to preventing persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badges of the, 38, 46; bill reported, 114, 126, 135; enacted, 241.
- South Boston district court. (See "Boston, City of.")
- South Boston flats. (See "Boston, City of.")
- South-eastern district, Order relative to the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the, 38, 46; bill reported, 105, 115, 126, 444, 454; enacted, 493.
- South Uxbridge, Petition (S.) relative to the abandonment of the "Ironstone" station at, on the New York and New England Railroad, 170; petition in aid, 265; bill reported, 406, 420, 429, 493, 657; enacted, 697.
- Spaulding, Henry C., Petition for authority to build subterranean railways. (See "Subterranean Railways.")

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- Election of, 4; address of, 4, 5.
- Order (S.) relative to adding the president of the Senate and the, of the House to the joint special committee on a general municipal law, 1139.
- Resolution of thanks to the, 1143.
- Special legislation, so much of the Governor's address as relates to, 33; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 608.
- Spirit manifestations, Petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) to suppress fraud in alleged, 279.

SPRINGFIELD, CITY OF:

- Petition of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School of the, for a change of name, 72; bill reported, 144, 161, 171; enacted, 292.
- Petition of the Young Men's Christian Association Training School of the, for authority to confer degrees, 147; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 393.
- Petition of the Young Men's Christian Association for the consolidation of two corporations in the, 217; bill reported, 353, 363, 373; enacted, 436.
- Petition relative to the water debt sinking fund of the, 269; bill reported, 406, 420, 429; enacted, 493.
- Stables, Order (S.) relative to providing for the licensing of livery, 167; bill (S.) reported, 619, 673, 711; enacted, 730.
- Stakes, offering of, by associations for breeding domestic animals. (See "Domestic Animals.")
- Stallions, Order relative to the proof of soundness of, advertised for service, 67; report (inexpedient), 256; accepted, 266.
- State Agricultural Experiment Station (see "State Board of Agriculture"), eighth annual report of the board of control of the, 766; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 910.

STATE AID:

- Order relative to providing that when towns and cities are reimbursed for sums paid out for, they shall also be allowed a certain percentage on amounts so expended for expenses attending the payment of, 184; report (inexpedient), 552; accepted, 583.
- Petition that the expenses attending the payment of, shall be borne by the Commonwealth, 196; report (leave to withdraw), 552; accepted, 583.

STATE ALMSHOUSE AT TEWKSBURY:

Thirty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the, 35; resolve (reported, in part) providing for a new insane asylum and certain repairs and improvements at the, 396, 474, 495, 510; passed, 663; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 550.

Order relative to amending the law concerning admission to the, 96; bill (reported) to amend section 21 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes relating to the State almshouse and State paupers, 317, 356, 364; enacted, 427.

State arsenal and camp ground, report on the condition of the (reported under section 89 of chapter 14 of the Public Statutes), accepted, 1122.

STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE: (See "Massachusetts Agricultural College.")

Order (S.) relative to increasing the clerical force in the office of the secretary of the, 88; bill (S.) reported, 465, 760, 804, 817; enacted, 840.

Order relative to enacting such legislation as may be suggested by the, relating to forests and birds, 96; notice of rejection by the Senate, 123.

Report of the, on the condition of the forests of the State, 349; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 473.

Report of the, on the birds of the State, 349; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 473.

Thirty-eighth annual report of the, and the eighth annual report of the State Agricultural Experiment Station, 724; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 769.

STATE BOARD OF ARBITRATION:

Annual report of the, 116, 491; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 592.

Order relative to printing five hundred extra copies of the report of the, 132; resolve reported, 170, 272, 286, 294; passed, 355.

Order relative to the printing of the annual report of the, 229; bill (S.) reported, 416, 620, 636, 665; enacted, 697.

State Board of Education, fifty-fourth annual report of the, with the annual report of the secretary of the board, 90; resolve (reported, in part) to provide additional facilities and improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, 579, 738, 764, 764; passed, 888.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH:

Twenty-first annual report of the, 36; bill (reported) relating to the annual appropriation for food and drug inspection, 538, 669, 683, 751, 778; enacted, 887; report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 717.

So much of the report of the, as recommends the repeal of sections 103, 104 and 105 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, concerning water supply, as relates to returns of water boards, commissioners and companies, 101; bill reported, 407, 420, 429; enacted, 493.

Order relative to authorizing the, to establish a veterinary department, 74; report (inexpedient), 283; accepted, 293.

Report of the, on water supply and sewerage, so much of the, as relates to water supply, 88; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 209.

So much of the report of the, as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal, 88; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 572.

Report of the, on the inspection of food and drugs, 393; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 608.

STATE BOARD OF LUNACY AND CHARITY:

Twelfth annual report of the, 71; bills reported:

To prevent false representations to overseers of the poor and the, 537, 562, 628, 917; enacted, 939.

To amend section 2 of chapter 309 of the Acts of the year 1889 concerning the better protection of infants, 537, 600, 615; enacted, 697.

Report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 550.

STATE BOARD OF LUNACY AND CHARITY — *Concluded.*

Order (S.) relative to providing that the amount advanced to the disbursing officer of the, shall not exceed \$2,000, 133; bill (S.) reported, 278, 309, 319, 329; enacted, 355.

State board of road engineers. (See "Highways.")

State boards and commissions, Order relative to accommodations for, outside the State House and Commonwealth Building, 153; resolve (reported) providing for the leasing of house numbered 13 Beacon Street for the use of various boards and commissions, 284, 327, 338, 347; passed, 418.

State camp ground. (See "State Arsenal and Camp Ground.")

State dairy commission, Order (S.) relative to the protection of dairy products and the establishment of a, 167; petitions in aid, 323, 431, 440, 744; bill (S.) reported, 982, 1041, 1050, 1057, 1110, 1128; enacted, 1136.

State departments. (See "State Boards and Commissions.")

STATE FARM AT BRIDGEWATER:

Thirty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the, 35:

Resolve (reported, in part) providing for certain improvements at the, 396, 610, 625, 637; passed, 763.

Bill (reported) changing the time within which the trustees of the State Farm are required to make their annual report, 578, 614, 627; new draft (S.), 767, 778, 805; enacted, 839.

State Firemen's Association. (See "Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.")

State gas inspector. (See "Gas Inspector.")

State House Commission, annual report of the, on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1890, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, 59; report (S. no legislation necessary), 278; accepted, 293.

State House Construction Commissioners, second annual report of the, 19, 490; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 573.

State House loan, Bill (S.) to establish a sinking fund for the, due in the year 1901 (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General), 718, 731, 740; enacted, 762.

STATE LIBRARY:

Report of the librarian of the, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1890, and the eleventh annual supplement to the general catalogue, 35; report (S. no legislation necessary), 143; accepted, 160.

Bill (S. on leave) to provide clerical assistance for the, 88, 169, 257, 266, 274; enacted, 293.

State loan, Petition of John M. Berry for a, of \$3,000,000 to cities and towns to enable them to build homes for the people, 36, 43; bill (reported) to promote the establishment of benevolent building associations, 649, 964, 1005.

STATE LUNATIC HOSPITAL:

Thirteenth annual report of the trustees of the, at Danvers, 35; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 417.

Sixth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, 35. (See "Westborough Insane Hospital.")

Thirty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the, at Northampton, 35.

Petition (S.) for an appropriation for repairs and improvements at the, at Northampton, 58; resolve reported, 475, 728, 740, 755; passed, 831.

Thirty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the, at Taunton, 36; resolve (reported) providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, 579, 964, 992, 1038, 1067; passed, 1116.

Fifty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the, at Worcester, and thirteenth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester, 36; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 454.

State lunatic hospitals, support of paupers in. (See "Paupers.")

State military and naval historian, Order relative to an appropriation for necessary expenses of the, 183; so much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the, 282; bill reported, 447, 661, 673, 684; enacted, 787.

State Normal Art School, Order relative to providing additional space for studio work at the, 150; resolve reported, 649, 785, 804, 817; passed, 912.

State Normal College, Bill (taken from the files of last year) establishing a, in Boston, 144; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 352.

State Normal School at Bridgewater, Resolve to provide additional facilities and improvements at the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the State Board of Education), 579, 738, 754, 764; passed, 888.

State Normal School at Salem, Order (S.) relative to providing for proper heating and ventilation at the, 156; resolve (S.) reported, 746, 760, 770, 779; passed, 831.

State Normal School at Westfield, Resolve (on leave) providing for the sale of certain portions of the lot of land upon which a new State normal school building is being erected in Westfield, and for other purposes, 213, 243, 506, 959, 967, 993; passed, 1066.

State Normal School at Worcester, Bill (taken from the files of last year) to provide for the building of a dormitory at the, 144, 457, 737, 754, 770; passed, 930.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS:

Order relative to an investigation into the financial conduct and disbursement for the, 208, 240; committee of conference appointed, 270, 290; report, 316; bill (S.) reported, 878, 960, 966, 1037, 1073; enacted, 1089.

Order relative to authorizing school committees to grant certificates of qualification to persons holding State normal school diplomas, without examination, 223; bill (S.) reported, 487, 509, 540; enacted, 581.

State officials, bribery of. (See "Bribery.")

State paupers. (See "Paupers.")

STATE PENSION AGENT:

Order relative to providing what appropriation should be made for the expenses and clerical assistance of the, 141; bill (reported) amending an act to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions, 505, 537, 562, 584; enacted, 697.

Third annual report of the, 162, 302; resolve (reported) providing for printing the third annual report of the, 519, 621, 637, 665; passed, 763.

Order relative to repealing so much of the law relative to expediting the settlement of claims for pensions as relates to the salary of \$2,000 a year for the, 183; report (inexpedient), 517; accepted, 706.

State police. (See "District Police.")

State poor. (See "Paupers.")

STATE PRIMARY AND REFORM SCHOOLS:

Annual report of the trustees of the, 35, 433.

Petition of the trustees of the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough for an appropriation, 196; resolve (reported) providing for furnishing the new cottage and for additional hospital accommodations at the Lyman School for Boys (reported also, in part, on the annual report of the trustees of the), 396, 537, 562, 615; passed, 763.

STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL AT MONSON:

So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the erection of a cottage for little children at the, 282; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 360.

Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools), 407, 737, 754, 764; passed, 888.

STATE PRISON:

Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the, 35; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 728.

Order relative to giving to the warden of the, full authority with regard to appointments and removals, 350; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 719.

Message from the Governor on the condition of affairs at the, and recommending certain changes in the law relating to the management thereof, 525, 559; bill (S. reported, in part) authorizing the warden of the, to appoint and remove certain officers (reported also, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons), 773, 890, 944, 965, 983; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1031.

Bill to punish prisoners who wilfully destroy the property of the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons), 538, 562, 628, 800, 817; enacted, 839.

Use of machinery in the. (See "Prisoners.")

Bill to authorize the purchase or taking of additional land for the, at Boston (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons), 632, 670, 684, 699; enacted, 730.

Bill to authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, on the annual report of the general superintendent of prisons, and on so much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to the classification, employment and compensation of prisoners), 774, 862, 929, 1033; enacted, 1065.

State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Petition for incorporation as the, 289; bill reported, 577, 601, 615; enacted, 697.

State tax, Bill to apportion and assess a, of \$1,750,000, 1114, 1118; recommitted, 1123; new draft reported, 1135; enacted, 1145.

State topographical survey. (See "Topographical Survey.")

STATISTICS OF LABOR, BUREAU OF:

Order (S.) relative to providing additional room for storage purposes for the use of the, 208; resolve (S.) reported, 315, 407, 420, 429; passed, 450.

Part I. of the twenty-first annual report of the, relating to the labor laws of Massachusetts, 255; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 298.

Part II. of the twenty-first annual report of the, relating to the population of Massachusetts, 255; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 298.

Order (S.) relative to ascertaining the number, location, value and other facts pertaining to abandoned farms, 75; part III. of the annual report of the, relating to abandoned farms, 391; bill (S.) reported, 591, 745, 763, 771; enacted, 816.

Resolve (on leave) authorizing the tabulation of special statistics for the United States census in the rooms of the, 702, 755, 788, 805; passed, 840.

Petition (S.) to protect wage earners in closely crowded districts and that the, be directed to ascertain and report to what extent the lands of Boston and suburbs are held by land companies for speculative purposes, 870; resolve (S.) reported, 1098, 1123, 1130, 1137; passed, 1141.

Statistics of manufactures, Order relative to reducing the number of the series of public documents, 110; bill (S. reported) providing for the printing and distribution of, 548, 620, 636, 665; enacted, 697.

Statutes. (See "General Statutes;" also "Public Statutes.")

Steam engines, Order relative to the licensing of persons in charge of stationary or portable, or boilers, 187; report (Inexpedient), 326, 336; accepted, 372, 383, 448; accepted, 541.

Stoneham, Petition that the town of, be authorized to aid an extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad, 631; bill reported, 681, 698, 709; enacted, 762.

STREET RAILWAY CARS: (See "Street Railways.")

Petition that the board of aldermen of Salem be authorized to license conductors, drivers and despatchers of, of said city, 71; bill (reported) to provide for licensing of conductors, drivers and despatchers of, in cities, 334, 347, 357, 362; new draft (S.), 444, 461, 470; enacted, 508.

Bill (S.) repealing the law relating to fenders and guards on (reported on so much of the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners as relates to street railways), 955, 961, 1032; enacted, 1058.

STREET RAILWAY COMPANIES:

Order relative to the taxation of horse and electric railway companies, 55, 68, 94.

(For bill reported see "Franchises.")

Grant of locations to. (See "Street Railways.")

Order relative to reports of accidents on street railways, 231; report (inexpedient), 553, 596, 628.

Sale of capital stock of. (See "Street Railways.")

Street railway employees, licensing of. (See "Street Railway Cars.")

Street railway franchises. (See "Franchises.")

STREET RAILWAYS:

Order relative to prohibiting the overcrowding of horse cars or street cars, 202; bill (S.) reported, 632, 673, 699; enacted, 730.

Order relative to the sale at public auction of new shares of stock of, 202, 590.

Order (S.) relative to providing that no location for, shall be granted unless the consent of three-fourths of the owners of real estate within one hundred feet of such location has been obtained, 208; report (inexpedient), 446; accepted, 460.

Order relative to reports of accidents on, 231; report (inexpedient), 553, 596; accepted, 628.

Order relative to repealing the law which gives the Board of Railroad Commissioners power to authorize increase of capital stock of, 236; report (inexpedient), 535; accepted, 599.

Licensing of conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in cities.

(See "Street Railway Cars.")

So much of the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners as relates to, 647; bill (S. reported) repealing the law relating to fenders and guards on street railway cars, 955, 961, 1032; enacted, 1058.

STREETS:

Use of, by private corporations. (See "Franchises.")

Order (S.) relative to providing for the collection of assessments for watering, by cities, 82; petitions relative to the same, 58, 82, 195; orders relative to the same subject, 91, 130, 179; bill reported, 447, 459, 467, 492, 513, 669, 708; enacted, 721.

Laying out of, over vacant land in Boston. (See "Boston, City of.")

Bill (S. on leave) relating to the watering of, in towns; referred to the next General Court, 609.

Suburban Railroad Company, Petition (S.) for incorporation as the, 210; bill reported, 505, 563, 584; enacted, 672.

Subterranean railways, Petition for authority to build, in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, 28, 53; petitions in aid, 814, 350, 377, 422, 431, 668, 766, 774, 810, 883, 980; report (leave to withdraw), 456, 467, 904, 912, 939, 993; bill (substituted) to incorporate the Boston Railway Company, 994, 1017; resolve substituted, 1038, 1042, 1066, 1082; passed, 1110.

SUFFOLK COUNTY:

Subterranean railways in. (See "Subterranean Railways.")

Petition for increase of the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for, 79; bill (S.) reported, 278, 396, 410, 421; enacted, 436.

SUFFOLK COUNTY — *Concluded.*

Petition that the salary of the associate medical examiner for, may be increased, 175; report (leave to withdraw), 425; accepted, 437.

Petition relative to the settlement of certain claims arising out of the construction of the court-house in, 219; report (reference to the next General Court), 534; accepted, 561.

Order relative to amending the law concerning truant schools in, 254; report (S. inexpedient), 608; accepted, 625.

Bill (S.) relating to certain officers in attendance upon the supreme judicial court in the county of Suffolk, 380, 537, 600, 637; enacted, 663.

Bill (S.) relating to fines, fees and other moneys received by the clerks of courts and other officers in the county of Suffolk, 432, 475, 492, 519, 666, 701, 712; enacted, 777.

Summons in minor criminal prosecutions. (See "Criminal Prosecutions.")

Sunday (see "Lord's Day"), drafts, bills and notes falling due on. (See "Drafts, Bills and Notes.")

Superintendent of prisons. (See "Prisons.")

SUPERIOR COURT:

Bill (on leave, taken from the files of last year) relating to the fees of clerks of the supreme judicial and, 78, 353, 363, 373; enacted, 436.

Order relative to enlarging the jurisdiction in equity of the, 155; bill reported, 576, 614, 627; enacted, 639.

Petition (S.) of the official stenographers of the, for increase of compensation, 169; report (S. leave to withdraw), 369; accepted, 399.

Order relative to permanent court auditors for the supreme, superior and probate courts, 181; report (inexpedient), 381; accepted, 398.

Order relative to providing further for trials in the, without a jury, 227; bill (S.) reported, 632, 673, 712; enacted, 763.

Order relative to giving to police and district courts original and concurrent jurisdiction with the, in actions of tort, contract and replevin, 237; report (inexpedient), 573; accepted, 598.

Order relative to appeals and exceptions in the, 251; report (inexpedient), 574; accepted, 598.

Bill (S.) to authorize sentence in criminal cases in the, where an appeal appears frivolous, 822, 918, 940, 961; enacted, 1004.

Official stenographers of the. (See "Essex County.")

Supervisors of elections. (See "Elections.")

Supplement to the Public Statutes. (See "Public Statutes.")

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT:

Bill (on leave, taken from the files of last year) relating to the fees of clerks of the, and superior court, 78, 353, 363, 373; enacted, 436.

Order (S.) relative to the appointment of additional clerks for the, 92, 104; bill reported, 257, 272, 286, 294; enacted, 436.

Order relative to giving to the, jurisdiction in equity to prevent the exercise of any trade or employment which is a nuisance, 99, 113; report (inexpedient), 660; accepted, 673.

Order relative to increasing the sums allowed the reporter of decisions of the, for salary, clerk hire and the incidental expenses of his office, 132; report (inexpedient), 435; accepted, 451.

Order relative to amending the law concerning the equity jurisdiction of the, 142; bill reported, 361, 373, 410; notice of rejection by the Senate, 775.

Order relative to permanent court auditors for the, superior and probate courts, 381; report (inexpedient), 381; accepted, 398.

Order relative to legislation concerning appeals in equity and to carrying questions of law in equity causes to the, 252, 263; report (inexpedient), 573; accepted, 598.

Surgical operations, protection against compulsory medical treatment or. (See "Medical Treatment.")

Sutton, district court to include the town of. (See "Worcester County.")

"Sweating system." (See "Clothing.")

SWISS REFERENDUM POPULAR INITIATIVE AND IMPERATIVE MANDATE:

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for the adoption in the government of cities of the, 359; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 533.

Petition of the Nationalist League of Massachusetts for the adoption in the legislative system of the, and of an equitable method of minority representation, 359; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 548; accepted, 583.

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TAUNTON, CITY OF:

Petition for an additional sum of money for the completion of the court-house in the, 150; petition in aid, 248; bill reported, 395, 409, 421; enacted, 493.

Petition for the establishment of a sewer district in the, 195.

Petition of the, for authority to incur debt, 214; bill reported, 395, 409, 421; enacted, 493.

Petition that the, be authorized to grant and donate to the United States land for a post-office building, 568, 609; bill reported, 620, 635; enacted, 672.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital. (See "State Lunatic Hospital.")

TAXATION: (See "Taxes.")

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- Order relative to the, of mercantile agencies, 185; report (inexpedient), 553, 581, 1010; accepted, 1050.
- Order relative to determining, for the purpose of, the legal residence of voters, 185; report (inexpedient), 309; accepted, 318.
- Order relative to codifying the laws relating to the collection of taxes, 185; report (inexpedient), 610; accepted, 624.
- Order relative to limiting the amount of property which can be purchased or held by corporations or organizations exempt from, 202; bill reported, 475; rejected, 514, 519, 965.
- Order relative to creating a board of commissioners for the purpose of promoting uniformity of tax and corporation laws throughout the United States, 203; bill reported, 682, 928, 965, 1017, 1021; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1135.
- Order relative to requiring the assessment upon a person's property to be made upon the amount of the property of the person assessed, less the amount of debts owed by him, 203; report (inexpedient), 465; accepted, 477.
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- Order relative to the return of the number of fowl assessed for, 203; bill reported, 309, 319, 329; enacted, 383.
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- Order (S.) relative to the exemption from, of farm property to an amount not exceeding \$1,000, 208; report (inexpedient), 301; accepted, 311.
- Petition for legislation providing for true lists of personal property for, 217; order relative to requiring persons bringing in lists of property to make oath to the same, 75; petitions in aid, 868, 903, 909; remonstrance against, 981; bill reported, 738, 752, 814, 861, 908, 913; referred to the next General Court, 1003, 1016, 1028.
- Order relative to amending the law relating to, so as to provide how notices, summons and demands may be served, 232; report (inexpedient), 489; accepted, 509.
- Order relative to the, of live stock on farms divided by town lines, 232; report (inexpedient), 395; accepted, 409.
- Order relative to exempting certain persons over seventy-two years of age from paying poll-taxes, 232; report (inexpedient), 518; accepted, 539.
- Order relative to limiting the rate of, in towns, 232; report (inexpedient) accepted, 659.
- Order relative to the exemption from, of persons not possessing taxable property, 233; report (inexpedient), 466; accepted, 477.
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Tax Commissioner, annual report of the, 86, 491; bill (reported) to amend chapter 342 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to salaries in the office of Commissioner of Corporations, 661, 802, 817, 825, 910; enacted, 939.

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Order relative to codifying the laws relating to the collection of, 185; report (inexpedient), 610; accepted, 624.

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- So much of the recommendations and suggestions of heads of departments as relates to trust deposits in the hands of the, and to the business of co-operative banking, 281; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 424.
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- Trespass, Petition for legislation to authorize owners to arrest trespassers upon their property, 219; petition in aid, 247; report (leave to withdraw), 503, 520; accepted, 602.

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- Trial lists, Order relative to the advance of certain cases on the, of courts, 205; report (inexpedient), 445; accepted, 459.
- Trout, Order relative to amending the law concerning the taking of, in Berkshire, Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden counties, 226; petition in aid, 358; bill (reported) to include the month of August in the open season for trout fishing in Hampden County, 418, 428, 439; enacted, 538.
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- Truro, Petition of the selectmen of, for aid from the State to help repair the damage done by recent storms to the highways in said town, 175; bill reported, 785, 879, 902, 905; enacted, 1017.

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Veteran firemen's associations, Order relative to the leasing of quarters in public buildings to, 250; bill reported, 490, 522, 563; new draft (S.), 657, 673, 699; enacted, 730.

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Order relative to the appointment of registrars of, in towns of less than three hundred, 151; report (inexpedient), 474; accepted, 493.

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Order relative to requiring registrars of, to hold meetings upon the written petition of not less than twenty-five legal voters, 179; order relative to requiring boards of registrars of, to hold additional sessions, 200; bill reported, 681, 698, 711; enacted, 787.

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Waltham Home for Aged Women, Petition of the, for a change of name, 216; bill reported, 361, 373, 401; enacted, 459.

Waltham Savings Bank, Petition of the, for the refunding of certain taxes paid in excess of the amount required by law, 116; resolve reported, 362, 474, 509, 523; passed, 663.

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Washburn, William, Petition for an appropriation to pay the amount due to, for services to the Commonwealth, to his estate, 177; resolve reported, 256, 267, 273; passed, 355.

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Petition that the town of, be authorized to issue sewerage bonds, 545, 632; bill reported, 801, 817, 825; enacted, 887.

Wauschacum Lake Company, Petition for incorporation as the, 138; bill (S.) reported, 344, 357, 373; enacted, 397.

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Petition that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of, may be legalized, 1019; report (leave to withdraw), 1108; accepted, 1116.

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